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Nothing concrete expected from tour

By SHELDON KIRSHNER
CJN Staff Reporter

OTTAWA —

Neither Israeli nor Canadian spokesmen expect External Affairs Minister Allan MacEachen to achieve anything of a substantive nature on his nine-day fact-finding tour of Israel and four Arab countries.

MacEachen's visit to the Middle East has been billed as a Canadian attempt to solidify relations with the Arab states and to assure Israel that Canada's closer commercial and trading ties with the Arabs have not lessened her commitment to Israel's survival and sovereignty.

These twin objectives notwithstanding, the Israeli embassy here does not anticipate that anything concrete will result from the tour "except a heightened understanding" by MacEachen of the situation in the area, according to embassy counsellor Yosef Yaacov. "He feels incumbent to get to know the region better," he explained in an interview.

Canadian and Israeli officials will discuss a number of issues, including trade, the role of the United Nations, the possibility of increased general contacts and current diplomatic problems in the Middle East.

(In an unrelated but significant development, the UN Security Council overrode U.S. objections and invited the PLO to participate in the United Nations Middle East debate. The vote was 11–1 with three abstentions. Britain, Italy and France abstained. Voting to seat the PLO were: Benin, China, Guyana, Japan, Libya, Pakistan, Panama, Romania, Soviet Union, Sweden and Tanzania.)

MacEachen, who is the first external affairs minister to go to the Middle East since Mitchell Sharp went there in 1969, will meet with Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin, Foreign Minister Yigal Allon and other top-level government officials.

MacEachen visited Egypt Jan. 12 and 13 and Saudi Arabia on Jan. 14 and 15. He will be in Jordan today. He is due in Baghdad Jan. 17 and 18. The value of Canadian exports to the Arab world has increased by more than five times in the past three years. The figure for 1975 was $600 million. Canadian officials are hopeful of signing bilateral trade agreements with Saudi Arabia and Iraq. Iraq bought $56 million worth of Canadian products in the first nine months of last year, compared to $43.5 million to Israel in the same period.

Canada spent about $2 billion to purchase oil from the Middle East last year, resulting in a trade deficit of almost $1.5 billion. The trade imbalance was only $60 mil-

Canadian Zionist Federation President Phil Givens calls for more people to join the hundreds going to Israel for the CZF convention. About 800 to 1,000 are expected to fly to Israel on Feb. 9 to partake in the deliberations which include addresses by top leaders in Israel. (Leo Hausman photo)

Thanks to new interest in Zionism, hundreds sign up for CZF parley

By LEWIS LEVENDEL
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TORONTO —

At least two Jumbo planes full of Canadians will be flying off to Israel next month, thanks in some degree to a resurgence of interest in Zionism. They will be taking part in the historic Canadian Zionist Federation convention, Feb. 9-18 in the Holy Land, the spiritual source of the movement.

Zionism has found itself the focus of world attention since the UN vote equating it with racism. This has resulted in the resurgence, with more people joining Zionist organizations and taking part in their activities, according to CZF President Philip Givens.

Interviewed in his Legislature office, Givens was busy checking over convention details. The two Jumbos seating 360 persons each, will leave from Toronto and Montreal respectively. Additional planes will be available if necessary. However, any more than 1,000 people attending the convention would be unwieldly, says Givens. Close off date for registration and payment of funds is Jan. 23.

Givens says his organization, which encompasses 15 groups with about a total of 35,000 members, plans to launch a massive membership campaign. "I want every Canadian Jew who thinks Jewish to commit him or herself to Zionism... And I plan to launch a campaign of indoctrination. I want our people to be ideologues and commandos."

Explained Givens: "Many of our Jews don't know what Zionism stands for. I'm appalled by what I've seen in trips across the country...

"War has been declared against us as Canadian Jews. We are besieged as much as Israelis are on this ideological matter. We are directly involved, as Jews, by this world campaign."

This is the first CZF convention to be held in Israel. Last year, the Zionist Organization of Canada, one of the CZF constituent groups, held a convention in Israel.

Since release of its preliminary program, the convention has added many features to its packed week-long agenda. The opening day of Feb. 11 will have a number of highlights — among them the official opening with President Katzir of Israel and addresses by Defence Minister Shimon Peres, World Zionist Organization Chairman Josef Almogi and Givens. There will be an afternoon visit to the Western Wall where a service will be held.

Thursday morning will see the convention dividing into a number of commissions on particular topics. Following an afternoon plenary on the commissions, there will be speeches from Golda Meir and Prof. Irwin Cotler of McGill University.

Prior to Shabbas the following day, there will be a plenary session with various committee reports including resolutions and constitution. (The organization has as yet no written constitution). Following Shabbas, there will be a speech by Opposition Leader Menachem Begin.

Sunday, the convention moves off to Tel Aviv, with delegates spending the day with their constituent organizations. The following two days are unique, with a number of workshops on wheels. For example, the one on security and foreign affairs, will be briefed by Yitzhak Navon, chairman of the Knesset committee dealing with these matters. Following this, participants will either travel to the Golan or the Sinai to visit an army camp. (Non-delegates will take tours on these days.)

The convention winds up with a closing banquet addressed by Premier Yitzhak Rabin and the new CZF president.

Givens is calling for more Canadians to join in the trip to Israel. "This will be a fascinating experience, an historical convention, with top-notch people, at an epic-making time in history."

Price of the convention is $670 from Montreal which includes air fare, five-star Hilton hotels in Jerusalem and Tel Aviv, tours and most meals.

Will resign Haifa mayorality

Almogi is elected WZO chairman

By DAVID LANDAU

JERUSALEM (JTA) —

Yosef Almogi, who was elected chairman of the World Zionist Organization Executive last week, said that he will resign as mayor of Haifa but would retain his Knesset seat as did his predecessor, the late Pinhas Sapir. He also said that he would continue to reside in Haifa.

It is not certain who will succeed him as mayor of Israel's third largest city. Speculation centred on Uri Agami, a leader of the Labor Party's Haifa branch. Almogi was elected by a vote of 67-42. All 110 members of the council cast ballots, one of them a blank. Almogi's victory was by a considerably greater margin than expected by his opponent, acting WZO chairman Leon Dulzin.

Meanwhile, Dulzin announced that he would step down as acting chairman of the Jewish Agency executive, probably when the executive meets here this week. Almogi will then be appointed acting chairman. His elevation to the chairmanship of the Jewish Agency Executive will be formalized when the Agency's Assembly holds its annual meeting here this summer. Dulzin will continue as treasurer of the WZO and Jewish Agency.

Almogi, a veteran of the Labor Party, was born in Poland in 1910 and came to Palestine in 1930 at the age of 20. He was a member of the Haganah command from 1933-39 and served with Allied forces during World War II. He was captured by the Germans and spent four years in a POW camp. He returned to Palestine in 1945 and became secretary of the Haifa Labor Council and later secretary general of Mapai and a member of the Histadrut executive.

Almogi was appointed to the cabinet in 1961 and served as Minister of Development and Housing and as Minister of Labor. He held the latter portfolio when he resigned from government in 1974 to stand for election as mayor of Haifa. He is married and has two sons, one of them an executive of the Zim Lines container service.

Josef Almogi, WZO head

At a midnight Labor caucus in the convention hall, Almogi's friends and supporters drank toasts to the new chairman and his most powerful backer, Premier Yitzhak Rabin. Toasting Almogi, Rabin urged him to remember "on this happy night" that he was assuming "a heavy yoke." "Do as you have done throughout your life: infusing new momentum, renewing, building," the premier said, observing that the Zionist movement must serve as "a bridge and a link" in these "difficult days between Israel and the Diaspora."

Responding, Almogi said he welcomed the task and was conscious of its difficulty. He said he was eager for the challenge it presented which he considered the toughest challenge a Jewish public figure could undertake at a time when Zionism was under assault.

Allan MacEachen

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Propaganda weak, is Zionist charge

JERUSALEM (JTA) —

Zionist propaganda activities all over the world came under sharp criticism at the Zionist General Council meeting here. They were said to be ineffective, lacking in funds and suffering from a gap between the desire to co-operate and actual co-ordination of information activities among the various Zionist bodies.

Avraham Shenker, head of the World Zionist Organization's information department, called on every Jewish community abroad to conduct Zionist information programs with the assistance of the Agency.

ISRAEL TOURISM HAS TOP MONTH

JERUSALEM (JTA) —

December, 1975 was the top December ever in terms of tourism to Israel. According to figures released by the Tourism Ministry, 60,700 tourists came last month.

The figure was 36% higher than in December 1974 and 16% higher than in December, 1971, the previous top December. Of those arriving here last month, 51,900 came by air and most of the others by cruise ships. However, overall tourism figures for 1975 were down to 617,500 compared with 624,700 in 1974, according to the Tourism Ministry.

WIZO head places some blame on Israel for declining aliyah

By JANICE ARNOLD

MONTREAL —

Aya Dinstein, chairman of the Women's International Zionist Organization — WIZO — is not surprised at Israel's declining aliyah and, in fact, places much of the responsibility on Israel itself.

Said Mrs. Dinstein, who is in Montreal to speak at the Hadassah convention: "We live in an age of less idealism, where there is more emphasis on tangibles. It's a sacrifice for people from the Free World to leave their jobs and home if it's not done out of great idealism. This is not to say that it's a hardship to live in Israel. But we have not done everything to ease the way of immigrants."

She has found that many Jews do not realize what life is really like in Israel. "All Jews should come to Israel: whether to live, study, as a trip, to spend time on a kibbutz, or whatever because the 'Israel experience' gives one a completely different understanding of what goes on in the world. It's the only catching disease that we hope people will catch."

Over 1,000 delegates meeting at the Queen Elizabeth Hotel in Montreal for the 26th biennial convention of the Hadassah-WIZO of Canada heard New York Congressman Stephen Joshua Solarz, member of House of Representatives committee for international relations paint a grimly realistic picture of prospects for real peace in the Middle East.

Despite differences in viewpoint among the Arab states bordering Israel, he said that a state of non-belligerency without any of the other manifestations of normal peaceful relations is the best that can be expected in the near future. Solarz told the delegates rumors of the erosion of U.S. Congressional support of Israel are unfounded.

Israel Ambassador to Canada Mordechai Shalev, Quebec Municipal Affairs Minister Victor Goldbloom, and Canadian Zionist Federation President Phil Givens were among the guests at the opening.

Mrs. Dinstein, a Sabra from Jerusalem now living in Tel Aviv, is a descendent of one of the earliest pioneer families. Her father, Arthur Ruppin, came to Palestine in 1907 from Germany and was founder of the kibbutz system. Her mother, an emigrant from Russia, emerged from a strongly Zionist family that produced a successful Hebrew writer.

"My father had a tremendous influence on my life. He believed that Zionism was a cause worth living and dying for 365 days a year. No one day should be spent in waste."

A sociologist by profession, he listed among his accomplishments the co-founding of the Hebrew University and was head of the Jewish Agency for many years.

Mrs. Dinstein does not feel that the multiplicity of organizations for Jewish women has a negative effect.

"There is so much to be done, we need everyone. There is some co-ordination between the various groups and certainly no competition or bad feeling. Everyone likes to play a role. With amalgamation, there would be less possibility for leadership."

WIZO, which has been chaired by Mrs. Dinstein for five years, is the only women's group that is not affiliated with a political party. It now boasts 90,000 members in Israel, and a quarter million in the world with Canada and England having the largest organizations of the 50 member countries.

There are over 600 creches, schools and youth clubs in Israel operated by WIZO, and Mrs. Dinstein is convinced her country would not survive without volunteers.

Aya Dinstein, WIZO head

A teacher by training and head of WIZO's education department before coming to her present position, she believes that as much education as possible for as many as possible should be one of the most important long term projects of WIZO in Israel.

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Vancouver Jewry to protest PLO

By TOBA KORENBLUM
CJN Staff Reporter

VANCOUVER —

The Vancouver Jewish community, according to two of its leaders, has been forced to compromise its principles by tolerating the Canadian government's refusal to bar PLO observers and the Canada-Israel Committee's "positive" stance on the UN spring meeting.

Dr. Marvin Weintraub, chairman of the Canadian Jewish Congress, Pacific Region, in an interview with the Jewish Western Bulletin, indicated the B.C. delegation to the CIC national meeting in December took umbrage with the sole resolution on Habitat which read: "Habitat can be a useful and positive conference with Canada's leadership in ensuring that it is not converted into a forum for political invective."

In a telephone interview with The Canadian Jewish News, Rabbi Marvin Hier, one of three B.C. delegates to the CIC national talks, emphasized that the strategy regarding Habitat is ultimately the final concern of the Vancouver community.

Vice-president of the Canadian Zionist Federation, Pacific Region, the rabbi remarked: "We are mature enough to advocate policy without having to dial long distance to Toronto or Montreal. With the PLO here, our policy is active mass demonstration... There's no way the national Jewish leadership will exercise a veto on the Vancouver community."

Commented Weintraub regarding the CIC's statement on the international meeting: "The Habitat conference with participation of the PLO was too high a price to pay for the possible benefits that might emanate from such a conference."

The Vancouver contingent at last month's Montreal parley, at the outset rejected the majority view that Canadian Jewry's strategy regarding Habitat should be markedly different than the vociferous protest mustered against Toronto's crime conference.

Hier claims there is still a wide feeling among Vancouver Jews that the conference should be cancelled. "We can't come to terms with PLO attendance."

Assurances have not been made by Jewish leadership, the rabbi stressed, that Habitat, like its sister conferences, will not deteriorate into a platform for Arab and Soviet-inspired anti-Israel invective. It is absolutely within the power of the CIC, he added, to urge the Canadian government to boycott the convention should delegates attempt to draft a sideline Zionist resolution under the guise of a legitimate issue.

Hier, one of a committee which challenged Housing Minister Barney Danson's position on Habitat during his visit to Vancouver, is decidedly disappointed with the Canadian government's stand. Ottawa's rationale for permitting PLO observers — namely to preserve its international credibility in diplomatic circles — "is not reason enough," he asserted.

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Chief Ashkenazi rabbi coming on behalf of UJA

TORONTO —

Israel's chief Ashkenazi rabbi, Shlomo Goren, will visit Toronto for three days beginning Jan. 25, on behalf of the 1976 United Jewish Appeal-Israel Special Fund Campaign. The chief rabbi will be accompanied by Mrs. Goren.

A large community rally has been planned for Tuesday evening, Jan. 27, at Shaarei Shomayim Synagogue, at which Rabbi Goren will be the principal speaker. A limited amount of tickets has been made available at a number of Orthodox and Conservative synagogue offices and at 150 Beverley St. For security reasons, no one will be admitted to the rally without a ticket.

During his stay in Toronto, Rabbi Goren will meet with leaders of the Orthodox community at parlor meetings and will appear at a press conference.

Chief Rabbi Shlomo Goren

The forthcoming visit of Rabbi Goren will be his first here solely on behalf of UJA. Born in Poland, Rabbi Goren emigrated to Israel with his family in 1925. A highly-revered Talmudic scholar, the chief rabbi also gained repute as a fighter in the Haganah during the War of Liberation and when the Israel defence forces were established, he was appointed its chief rabbi. In 1969, he was promoted to the rank of major general and remained with the armed forces until the end of 1970. He was elected chief Ashkenazi rabbi of Israel in 1972.

During the Six-Day War, Rabbi Goren joined the spearhead of paratroopers which reunited Jerusalem and was privileged to be the first Jew at the four holiest sites in Israel — the Western Wall where he conducted the first prayer and announced the liberation of the Holy Mount of the Temple by blowing the Shofar; the first to open Rachel's Tomb; the first to liberate the Tomb of the Patriarchs in Hebron, and the first to ascend Mount Sinai on the holy day before Shavuoth.

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Freelancer Marilyn Green interviewed a quartet of Hebrew University students from Canada. They are: (from left) Marvin Davidson, Montreal; Sharon Smith, and Terese Victor, Laval, Que., and Mayer Hyman, Toronto.

'...Israel is only place to live'

Response of Canada's youth to call of aliyah is reassuring

By MARILYN GREEN

JERUSALEM —

With the clarion call from Israel's leadership for a rejuvenated aliyah program involving Diaspora youth, it is reassuring that many young Canadians are responding to the plea.

A quartet of bright young Canadian scholars recently interviewed at the Hebrew University confirm that a band of committed North American students are facing the hardships of adjusting to a problematic environment, while experiencing the joy of strengthening Israel during her period of isolation.

All, in their first year of a four-year program in the university's School for Overseas Students, agree the separation from families and friends is a particularly painful sacrifice. But the campus community and Israeli society are serving as valuable links.

Montrealer Marvin Davidson has lived in Israel for 1½ years. Spending the first year on a kibbutz, he feels he has integrated into Israeli society rather well. Planning to major in mathematics and languages, Marvin intends to remain in Israel and to contribute his skills to a growing nation.

Sharon Smith arrived only four months ago from Laval. As this is her first visit to Israel, she found it harder to adjust. She went right into an ulpan (intensive Hebrew language course), and therefore, did not have a chance to see Israel. Sharon is interested in majoring in biology and pre-medicine.

For Teresa Victor of Laval, living in Israel has been made easier by two previous visits to the country. Her main problems lie with Israeli bureaucracy.

A law major from Toronto, Mayer Hyman has found Israeli values to be totally different from those in Canada. For example, it's a fact of life that living in Israel means exposure to a certain danger. But Mayer prefers this to living anywhere else.

The Canadian students reflected on several aspects of their initial experiences on the university campus and on the topical and personal issue of aliyah.

The boys held very strong views on the latter subject. Mayer feels that simply sending money to Israel is a "copout." He thinks it would be better to bring the money here and set up a business.

He poses the question: "What do Canadian parents want for their children?" He continues: "You should visit a kibbutz and see how the children grow up. They are not called 'dirty Jew,' they do not grow up singing Christmas carols, and they do not marry Gentiles."

Marvin continues the theme. "If you feel strongly about being a Jew," he says, "then Israel is the only place to live. While sitting in a university cafeteria conversing totally in Hebrew to students from Brazil, England and Germany, you realize what it is to belong to a culture."

Unanimous enthusiasm greeted the subject of campus social life. The moadon, or social clubs, offer a variety of activities, provide a warm atmosphere and a very good way to meet one's fellow students.

As to the future of Israel in the face of current political pressures, the boys differ.

Mayer is pessimistic. He thinks that in the end, the world will sell Israel out; nevertheless, she will survive. Marvin views Israel's position as positive now because of U.S. support. However, the country has lost many friends since the Yom Kippur War, and he feels Israel will suffer in the end.

Nevertheless, these young people, have committed themselves for at least four years to a country where life can be very difficult and at times hazardous, but is always stimulating.

'Shut-down will make Eilat ghost town'

JERUSALEM [JTA] —

Fear continued to mount in Eilat that Israel's southern-most city and sole outlet to the Red Sea would become a ghost town after the Timna copper mines are closed down and its dismissed employees are forced to find jobs elsewhere.

Minister of Commerce and Industry Chaim Barlev, who flew to Eilat after a general strike protesting the shut-down paralyzed the town, told the Knesset that there was no hope of getting the money-losing copper works out of the red for the next five years. The Timna mine workers won a reprieve of uncertain duration when Barlev promised that the copper mines would not be shut down until alternative jobs are found for its 700 employees. But he hedged his promise on further consultation with his colleagues on the ministerial economic committee which had recommended to the government that the deficit-ridden industry be shut down.

New job prospects are also uncertain. Labor Minister Moshe Baram promised that the dismissed mine workers would be employed building a new airport seven miles north of Eilat, a project already approved by the cabinet, but not scheduled to start for three months.

Israel Aircraft Industries was reported planning to locate a new metal plant in Eilat but that will not be ready for at least three years. Barlev am conceded that even those projects would not provide jobs for all of the laid-off mine workers. Moreover, those projects are in the construction field and Eilat residents were wondering what would become of the scientists, engineers, lab technicians and copper specialists employed in office jobs at Timna. They cannot become tractor operators or construction workers overnight, it was remarked; and what of the wives of these white collar employees, many of whom teach at Eilat's schools? They would leave if their husbands have to find jobs elsewhere and the local school system would suffer from a shortage of teachers.

Barlev told the Knesset that the government had no choice but to shut down the mines in view of the continuing depression in copper prices on the world market.

Dayan becomes newspaper editor

JERUSALEM [JTA] —

Former defence minister Moshe Dayan has confirmed that he has accepted a proposal to be the editor of a new morning newspaper but refused to reveal the names of the investors, reportedly a group of Americans and Israelis. According to **Maariv,** the American investors are being represented by Ami Brown and the Israelis by Moshe Wertheimer and Chagai Bar-Kochba.

Dayan said he will continue to serve in the Knesset, dividing his time between the newspaper and the Parliament. He said the newspaper, which is to be a tabloid, will be a Zionist newspaper and will not be affiliated with any political party. But, he added, "It will certainly reflect my views."

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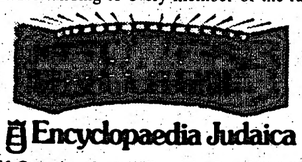

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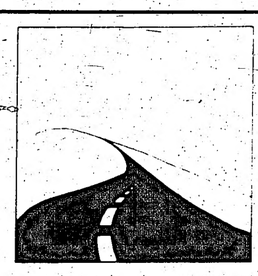

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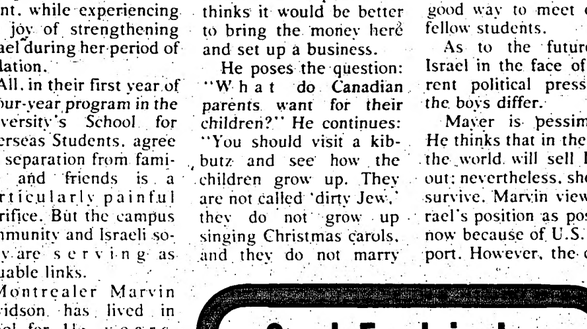

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Mayor of all the people

First Jewish mayor transformed Toronto into cosmopolitan centre

By TOBA KORENBLUM
CJN Staff Reporter

TORONTO —

He was a jokester, affable "old Nate," Toronto's ad-man, globetrotter, banquet circuit hopper, a late-blooming politician, the man who witnessed this city's transformation from an Anglo-Saxon stronghold to a multicultural cosmopolitan centre — and its first Jewish mayor.

Nathan Phillips

Nathan Phillips, whose eight years in that post (1955-62) and 35 years on City Council established him as a record-holder, died last week of a heart attack following a prolonged illness. He was 83.

He was best known to Torontonians as the "mayor of all the people" — a phrase he coined to combat any label-by-religion. His pledge to fight discrimination and Toronto's old-time bigotry struck a sensitive, human, moral chord in a city withdrawing from its provincial doldrums.

Though he recalled in his autobiography that his earliest political failures resulted, in part, by his inability to convince the Jewish community of the sincerity of his religious convictions, this same community honored him many times over — as Negev Dinner honoree in 1965, as founding member of Toronto Lodge, B'nai B'rith.

Born in Cornwall, Ontario, Phillips made rapid advances in his dual careers of politics and law: entering Osgoode Hall Law School before the age of 18, acquiring the seat of Ward 4 alderman in 1923, joining the city council as its youngest member and attaining title of Kings Council at an early age.

A wise-cracking, speech-making politician, he always had designs for the mayoralty, but was frustrated in his early years at city hall. At a time when Jews were not accepted in all provincial riding associations and were barred from certain social and recreational clubs he was defeated in two provincial elections before World War II running under the Conservative banner.

His Jewishness remained an issue throughout his political battles. In 1947, he unsuccessfully tried to unseat Communist member of the Ontario Legislature for St. Andrew, Joseph Salsberg, where Phillips' inability to speak Yiddish was raised as an issue. He later recalled this campaign had been marred by rumors in the Jewish community claiming he lacked religious loyalty.

It took him three attempts to reach his goal. His first campaign for mayor found him a poor third-runner. "I wasn't part of the regular establishment of Toronto," he mused years later, "and it was unthinkable that a person of the Jewish faith could become mayor."

But after three decades of service on city council he was elected by a 4,000-vote margin in a heated campaign where religion again surfaced as the contested point. Opponent Leslie Saunders, a staunch Orangeman, was accused by some quarters of fomenting a Catholic-Protestant feud in the city. The result in 1955 — voters responded by electing the city's first non-Protestant mayor, its first Jew.

During his eight-year tenure Phillips experienced the birth-pains of a city and his clamor for construction of the O'Keefe Centre, the new city hall and his cry for amalgamation of city and suburbs did not receive unanimous praise.

Abruptly torn from his cherished job in 1962, with the upset victory of Donald Summerville, he joined his son, Howard, in the practice of municipal law (Howard and Nathan were the first father-and-son team at city hall.)

Delivering the eulogy at Holy Blossom Temple, Rabbi Gunther Plaut, in the presence of Phillip's wife of 62 years, Esther, son Howard, daughter Mrs. Arthur Brodey and 800 mourners, injected a twist of Nate's humor into the solemn proceedings: "When I speak a few words of affection for a man who bestrode our city for so long, I look down at the casket half-expecting to see Nate rise up and say, 'Look rabbi, I'm not sure I appreciate this oily sanctimoniousness you're about to pour on me'."

Civic leaders and provincial politicians praised him, including Liberal MPP for Armourdale, Phil Givens, former Toronto mayor (1963-66): "Nathan Phillips will be sorely missed. He ushered in the dawn of a new era of cosmopolitanism for Metro Toronto."

Nate himself said it best, reflecting on his 1955 mayoralty campaign victory: "I am Jewish and I ran with the clean object of...cutting intolerance at the roots. I represent all the people, all the creeds."

Leave to appeal is refused

TORONTO —

The defendants in libel actions brought by Rabbi Stuart Rosenberg have been refused leave to appeal to Division Court against a judgment by Mr. Justice R.E. Holland last year regarding costs.

The Ontario Supreme Court justice had ruled the costs of the applications in libel actions and costs thrown away in preparation for the trial, must be paid by the defendants. The amount will be fixed by Mr. Justice Holland, on application by solicitors for Rabbi Rosenberg.

Defendants are Dr. Fred Weinberg, Albert R. Gellman, Greta Greisman and Max Milstone.

The leave for appeal verdict was handed down by Mr. Justice Peter Cory.

All of the lawsuits brought by Rabbi Rosenberg against Beth Tzedec Congregation and its officers have been placed on the peremptory list for trial March 1.

Paikin heads UJWF women

By MOURA WOLPERT
Hamilton Correspondent

HAMILTON —

Hamilton's 1976 United Jewish Welfare Fund campaign will again have Abby Goldblatt as chairman, while Marnie Paikin becomes chairman of the women's division, announced Samuel Taylor, who recently took over as president of Hamilton UJWF from William Morris.

While for Goldblatt it will be the second year in succession in that post, Mrs. Paikin is a newcomer to the top ranks of the Welfare Fund and doesn't mind admitting she's a little apprehensive about reaction to her appointment.

Her activities over the years have included just about everything: from being a founding member of a chapter of Hadassah (Anna Herskowitz) to acting as vice-chairman of the hospitality committee for the 1972 Grey Cup Festival in Hamilton; from serving on the board of Temple Anshe Sholom (1970-74) to being a member of the governing council of the university of Toronto (1972); a host of commitments, ranging from home visits to elderly shut-ins to serving on various cultural committees. But, her only previous involvement with the Welfare Fund has been as a canvasser.

"The trouble is," says Samuel Soifer, executive-director of the Hamilton Jewish Federation, "Barbara Epstein, chairman of the 1973 women's division, and Anne Minden and Bella Streiner, co-chairmen in 1974, are tough acts to follow."

But if anyone has the courage to follow a tough act, it's Marnie Paikin, of whom Taylor says: "She has already proved herself to be a very able administrator."

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CIC must take an aggressive stance in dealing with Arab accusations

Something is radically wrong with Jewish leadership in the Canada-Israel Committee; vision has become sterile and there is thorough confusion and an inability to cope with rapidly changing events affecting Israel and Diaspora Jewry.

This is the view of Max Goody, the deputy president of the Zionist Organization of Canada, and a respected leader of the Jewish community. In a hard-hitting article published on this page, Mr. Goody takes CIC leadership to task for sins of omission and commission which he feels are most damaging to Zionism. He wants what he calls our "sterile vision" replaced by a vigorous program to effectively combat Arab propaganda.

We do not agree with all the criticisms voiced by Mr. Goody in this article, but there are some disturbing truths which call for comment. That there is a strong undercurrent of dissatisfaction with the CIC among the rank and file of the Canadian Jewish community is beyond argument. The absence of strong leadership based on a realistic understanding of what is needed, (not a futile exercise of preaching to the converted), is regrettable and calls for swift action. Mr. Goody says "the obsessive preoccupation with trying to keep the PLO out of Canada is a miscalculation beyond imagination." Whether the situation warrants this extreme language is debatable, but the deputy president of the ZOC is not far off the mark in his overall criticism. As far as the Habitat conference is concerned, we agree with Mr. Goody that to continue this battle against PLO attendance at Vancouver is to fight a losing one. What we should be doing in this area is to get government assurances that the Habitat conference sticks strictly to business and does not permit the PLO to use it for propaganda purposes.

Mr. Goody's letter was written prior to the CJN's published report of an interview with Rabbi Gunther Plaut, vice-chairman of the CIC, in which the Holy Blossom rabbi made clear that while his views on PLO attendance at the Habitat conference were unchanged, "this particular moment calls for a different strategy." Rabbi Plaut stressed in this interview with the CJN's Toba Korenblum that graver threats to Israel's security and integrity make it necessary to re-orient CIC perspective. In other words, Rabbi Plaut believes Habitat is less important today as a battleground than other and more ominous threats developing in the world arena. He and Mr. Goody are not far apart in their overall view of what needs to be done.

Mr. Goody takes strong exception to the announced plan of the CIC to embark on a national educational campaign to mobilize every Jewish community and organization. He says the Jewish community doesn't need convincing; what is needed, he says, is a program to challenge Arab accusations and replace a defensive posture with an aggressive stance in which Arab racism and brutality down through the ages is documented for all to see.

The CIC represents the Canadian Zionism, Federation, Canadian Jewish Congress and B'nai B'rith, which makes it, at least on paper, a body thoroughly representing the national Jewish community. Its responsibility is a heavy one and if Mr. Goody is correct in his views, it has not been discharged in a competent, imaginative manner.

U.S., growing number of Israelis moving towards acceptance of PLO

Two recent developments in American foreign policy prove the Israeli contention that the United States is preparing public opinion for the acceptance of the PLO as the sole representative body of the dispersed Palestinian Arabs.

The first indication that something was afoot in Washington came last December when the U.S. refused to veto a crucial Security Council resolution calling for the participation of the PLO at a United Nations debate on the Middle East in mid-January. Although State Department officials stressed that an appearance by the Palestinians did not mean that the U.S. would deal with the PLO, Israeli diplomats expressed skepticism and said the White House was, in fact, softening its position on the PLO.

Israelis were distressed by the U.S. decision because it seemed to go against an earlier American undertaking made when the second-stage Sinai disengagement accord was signed in September. Secretary of State Henry Kissinger had then pledged to Israel that the United States would continue to block attempts in the Security Council to harm Israel's interests.

Whatever Kissinger may have told Premier Rabin last August, the fact is that American Middle East policy is in the process of being reformulated. Kissinger believes that the inclusion of the PLO in talks is inevitable, if not desirable, because it would facilitate progress toward a settlement. To observers, Mr. Kissinger's assumption is logical because both the Egyptians and Syrians have repeatedly declared that peace will never be attained unless the Palestinians — the PLO — are represented at the negotiating table.

The second development in America's evolving policy concerns the so-called Saunders paper, delivered to a House International Relations Committee last November by Deputy Assistant Secretary of State Harold Saunders. Basically, Mr. Saunders said the PLO would seriously consider a West Bank state rather than a secular state, and that Jordan's King Hussein no longer represented Palestinian interests. Premier Rabin, however, still believes that the Palestinian question can be solved in the framework of an Israeli-Jordanian arrangement.

His analysis, which is disputed by a number of his cabinet ministers, is that a third country between Israel and Jordan would be Soviet-influenced and serve as a springboard for Palestinian attacks. In his view, Israel should not recognize or talk to the PLO on the grounds that it will lose the political and diplomatic momentum it enjoys if Jerusalem stresses that the focus of negotiating activity should revolve around the conflict between states rather than liberation movements. Rabin also says the PLO is a passing political phenomenon which could be replaced by a moderate Palestinian leadership if only the nations of the world would blackball the PLO.

Premier Rabin's calculation has not withstood the test of time, however, and the PLO remains the sole Palestinian group strong enough to speak for the Palestinians — a reality a growing number of Israeli cabinet ministers are belatedly beginning to acknowledge as Israel becomes more isolated in the international community.

This new thinking is advocated by a former chief of army intelligence, Aharon Yariv, and Victor Shemtov, the minister of health. They hold that Israel should be ready to negotiate with any Palestinian group so long as it recognizes Israel's existence and renounces terror.

Liberals such as Messrs. Yariv and Shemtov thus negate the declarations by Premier Rabin that Israel and the PLO can only meet on the battlefield rather than in a negotiating room. Other observers, echoing these views, criticize the government's perception of the Palestinian question as wrong-headed and counter-productive, and add that Israel's interests were poorly served by the massive bombing of refugee camps on the day the UN disclosed the PLO would participate at the Security Council debate.

In the opinion of these Israelis, the present government must summon up the self-confidence and courage to present constructive proposals for addressing the Palestinian question squarely and unhesitatingly. In the absence of such ideas, Israel's political position will probably deteriorate, increasing the chances of an American-imposed settlement in which Israel would be a mere bystander.

Higher budget allocation comforting but widespread poverty disgraceful

Behind the sophisticated glitter of Canada's largest metropolis, Montreal, lurks grinding, soul-draining poverty. Everyone is familiar with Protestant and Roman Catholic poverty but few in the community realize that Montreal is home to some 18,000 Jews who live below the poverty line.

The Jewish poor in Montreal are divided into three groups — the elderly, the working class and the Orthodox. According to the Jewish Organizing Project, 20% or more of the Jewish population can be classified as poor. For 1975, Allied Jewish Community Services budgeted a record $1 million for direct cash assistance to the Jewish poor, up from $754,000 the year before.

As the new year begins, it is mildly comforting to read that more funds are being allocated to fight poverty. But the glaring and disgraceful fact is that widespread Jewish poverty is something of a blot on the good intentions of a community that prides itself on philanthropy.

Quarter retains rural charm as city grows

By KAREN HOFFMAN

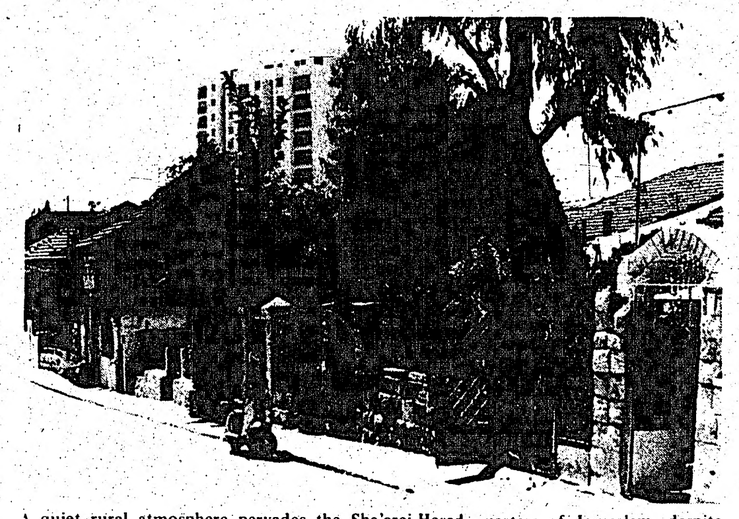
JERUSALEM —

On the one hand, Jerusalem wants to make its great past a part of the living present, but it does not want to forget-too soon the exciting century and a half of its development outside the Old City. It is felt that a balance must be found between the two.

Not even the towering high rise apartments of the Kiryat Wolfson — Beit-Ezra complex built on its western border, has changed the quiet rural atmosphere of the Orthodox quarter of Sha'arei Hesed (Gates of Loving Kindness). Located in the western part of the central area of Jerusalem, this neighborhood has successfully withstood the hustle and bustle of the rapidly developing capital around it. So unique are the social and architectural qualities of this quarter, characterized by its one-storey row-houses, narrow streets, and greenery, that the municipality planning department has earmarked it for preservation.

This large plot of land was purchased in 1907 by the Sha'arei Hesed Gemiluth Hasadim Haklali Fund, with the aim of providing an Orthodox residential quarter of about 200 row-houses for persons of limited means. Easy term loans were given to carefully screened applicants to enable these families to have a home of their own without being financially overburdened.

You have to visualize the Turkish Jerusalem of 1908 in order to appreciate the novelty and daring of such a scheme that attempted to plan the physical and social environment of a whole residential settlement. As in other areas, Turkish rule meant a state of complete anarchy regarding building and town planning, even in a major town like Jerusalem. In contrast to these shortcomings of the authorities, one can only admire the systematic thoroughness with which the Welfare Fund went about this enterprise. The planning and execution of a building project the size and scope of Sha'arei Hesed was virtually unheard of then.



A quiet rural atmosphere pervades the Sha'arei Hesed quarters of Jerusalem, despite the high-rise towers of Kiryat Wolfson. The quarter goes back to the early 1900s.

Every detail for both the physical plan of the houses and the conduct and relations of its residents was clearly outlined in the by-laws drawn up by the Fund for Sha'arei Hesed. One paragraph stated that every row of houses was required to have a well that would contain enough water to supply all the neighbors for one year. A different paragraph specifically forbids the residents from throwing their garbage into the streets instead of into the properly designated garbage bins.

As is to be expected of an Orthodox quarter like this, central space was reserved for two synagogues, one for Mitnagdim (named for the Vilna Gaon) and one for the Chassidim, a mikveh, a communal oven, and a talmud torah for the little children.

The last building was hardly completed in 1937, when the inevitable process of authorized and unauthorized additions to the original houses set in, in an effort to increase the living space. The neighborhood began to take on a shabby appearance.

The problem facing town planners today is how to offer solutions to the needs of the 750 residents for additional comfort, without disrupting the character and scale of the quarter, and while at the same time preserving the beauties of the original plan.

On the basis of recommendations of a survey, it was decided than an additional storey could be added to these row-houses, the greenery in front of the houses is an important feature in the overall rural character of the quarter. Nor will it be sacrificed to parking space. The cars will have to park in the streets.

Kiryat Wolfson may pose a threat to this idyllic haven in other ways too. Sha'arei Hesed could be required to serve as a thoroughfare for traffic to and from this teeming neighborhood. If that were allowed to happen it would constitute a flagrant breach of the peace, every day of the week, and certainly on Shabbat. Sha'arei Hesed's preservation is important, not just for its own residents, but for all Jerusalemites who want their city to have the quick pulse of modern times, and the quiet dignity of a not so distant past.

'We need to take initiative'

Counter-propaganda campaign 'confused, sterile'

By MAX GOODY

On the matter of Arab propaganda, Canadian Jewish leadership has now reached an almost total state of immobility. Beyond mass meetings and getting a few leading political and clerical personalities to append their signatures on proclamations of protest, our vision has become sterile.

I have never seen it in such a state of disarray. On the other hand, I have never seen Arab propaganda so organized or effective. They are using as spokesmen their most articulate professionals whereas, by and large, we are letting our cause be represented by second rate amateurs.

The 'official statement' of the national CIC board of Dec. 9 betrays a thorough confusion and inability of how to react and what to do in the face of the rapidly changing character of Israeli public relations.

The obsessive preoccupation with trying to keep the PLO out of Habitat is a miscalculation beyond imagination. Such a campaign has no significant public sympathy and the Canadian government has already committed itself on this matter to the UN. Why fight a losing battle? The battle that should be fought is to get Mr. MacEachen to give the Canadian public assurances which, he in turn, should receive from the Committee on Conferences of the UN that Habitat will not permit the introduction of extraneous issues on its agenda.

In other words, prevent the Arab states from using the Habitat forum to denounce Israel or Zionism as it has on so many other occasions. That effort should be given wide publicity and it will have public understanding and it does have a good chance of succeeding if we do not delay. That in itself would be a victory. If that effort does not succeed public understanding of our concern over admission of the PLO will make any such similar moves we wish to make in the future that much more credible. That, too, will be a victory.

The CIC statement pledges to embark on a national educational campaign to inform the Canadian public about the PLO and the nature of the Arab-Israel conflict. What simplistic naivete. The Jewish community doesn't need convincing; supporters of the Arab cause will not be influenced by what we say and the large majority which falls into neither of these categories will simply regard our efforts as Zionist propaganda. This will invite further cross country tours by PLO spokesmen and the public as usual will insist on hearing the "other side." What will all this accomplish?

The mistake we make is in continuing to think that the issues of the conflict are still the Balfour Declaration, the British Mandate or the 1947 Partition Plan. They are not. The issues are those matters which Arab propagandists are utilizing for the purpose of defaming and discrediting Israel. They include, inter alia, the claim that a whole people has been uprooted and dispossessed from its homeland, the issue of a Palestine secular state, the false image of Islamic tolerance of Jews and the refugee problem (in which we should state the case for Jewish refugees from Arab lands). We have to meet Arab propaganda head-on on these matters and debunk their false claims. We cannot refuse to confront these challenges. We need a program.

Let me give an example of what I mean. The Arab states have branded Zionism as racist. This immediately places the Jewish community on the defensive. This is a clever tactic, for no matter how false a claim one makes against you, the very process of having to defend yourself makes you suspect. Fine...let us present the considerable case of Islamic intolerance and brutality over the centuries not only against Jews but against others as well and challenge them to defend themselves. How many people, for example, know that the yellow badge used by the Nazis to mark Jews for extermination was an Arab invention of the ninth century? It is not a question of generating hatred for Arabs but of employing a tactic as legitimate as those which they use to influence public opinion.

In short, we need a program which will be effective in confronting Arab propaganda on their terms and we need to take the initiative — not sit back and be intimidated.

Max Goody is a long-time Toronto Zionist leader. He is currently deputy president of the Zionist Organization of Canada.

Max Goody, ZOC deputy president

Letters to the Editor

Defence by Spanish tourist office director 'misled' and neglected points, say readers

Dear Editor:

In the edition of The Canadian Jewish News of Dec. 26, 1975, you printed a letter signed by Mr. Julian Sanchez-Martin of the Spanish National Tourist Office, concerning the advertisement that appeared on Oct. 31 in the Canadian Jewish News sponsored by a number of Jewish travel agencies regarding the draft resolution Zionism equal Racism. Mr. Sanchez-Martin's letter was somewhat misleading.

1. Mr. Sanchez-Martin states that the advertisement recommended that Jewish people should abstain from travelling to various countries. If he would have read the advertisement carefully, he would have seen that after naming the six countries, we stated "The undersigned travel agents recommend that you bear this in mind when making your travel plans." This is merely a suggestion, as we cannot dictate to our clients what they should or should not do.

2. Mr. Sanchez-Martin states that the Spanish delegation was absent at the moment of the vote. Again, Mr. Sanchez-Martin did not read the advertisement carefully. This ad was printed after the draft resolution in the Third Committee at the United Nations was voted in, and when that vote took place, Spain not only was not absent, but it is on record as having voted in favor.

I would like to think that she absented her vote from the Assembly at the time of the final vote as a result of the furor that was caused by her voting in favor of the draft resolution.

Mr. Sanchez-Martin then tries to show in the remainder of his letter how good Spain has been to the Jews. I should like to point out that however good Spain has been to the Jews in recent years, this hardly compensates for the Inquisition, and does not explain why even today, 27½ years after the creation of the State of Israel, there are still no diplomatic relations between the two countries.

D. Freudmann,
president,
James Vance Travel [Canada] Inc.

Dear Editor:

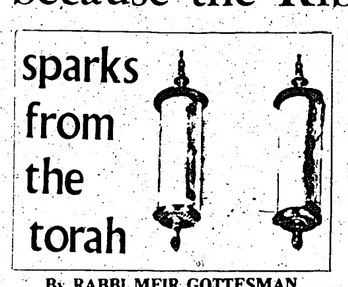
Regarding the Dec. 26/75 letter to editor by Mr. Martin, director of the Spanish National Tourist Office, permit me to add points #7 and #8 to the letter that appear to have escaped Mr. Martin's memory.

#7 — The "Spanish" Inquisition that was responsible for the mutilation and murder of thousands of "Spanish" Jews in the 15th century — took place in "Spain."

#8 — Spain's dictator Franco and Adolph Hitler were good friends and allies. The fascist Franco was in full agreement, both morally and physically with Hitler and Nazi Germany's policies.

Dr. L.I. Gaum,
Toronto.

'Those who want honor for their mitzvahs are thieves because the Ribono shel Olam owns all kavod'



By RABBI MEIR GOTTESMAN

Parshai B'shalach/ Shabbat Shirah/ Tu b'Shvat

Zeh Kailee v'anvaihu... This is my G—d and I will glorify Him...

You have to be a real somebody to know...you're not really such a somebody, after all...

A girl ran to a pious doctor, who was a disciple of the Mezritcher Maggid, and cried that her father was gravely ill. She told him the symptoms and begged him to hurry. The doctor calmly began searching for his coat, stopping to brush a few specks off his shoes. She couldn't believe her eyes. She screamed — "Ribono shel Olam, the doctor refused to move himself, at least You rush to my father's rescue!"

When the doctor heard that, he reassured her that her father would be fine. He explained — "I knew there was nothing more any doctor could do. I stalled, so you should turn to G—d out of desperation..."

No one minds playing second fiddle to G—d — the real trick is to be humble before other human beings. Imagine... Moses is considered super **anav** — truly modest. Why? David cried, "I am a worm, not a man..." Abraham said, "I am dust and ashes..." But Moses declared, "**nachnu mah** — we are nothing, period..."

But between you and me, why should Moses be considered so much more modest than David and Abraham?... Worms, dust and ashes are not exactly hot stuff, either? Ah, but it teaches... Abraham and David were talking to G—d — it's easy to play modest. But Moses was humbling himself before other people — a bunch of sourpusses, at that — and he still held himself small... (Mi'mayanot Ha'netzach)

A Jew who wants honors for doing a mitzvah is a thief. Why? All **kavod** in the world belongs to the Ribono shel Olam. When we demand it for ourselves, we steal the crown that belongs to the king and swipe it for our own head. By the same token...there is no one we should ever fear except G—d. When we tremble before another person, we are taking the **yirah** — awe — that belongs to the Almighty and casting it into **galus.** When a Jew does teshuva, G—d makes sure that he never has to fear... (Rabbi Nachman of Bratzlav)

The only person a Jew should fear is...himself. It's easier to beat Wintario twice in a row than it is to break certain, not such ay yay yay habits. That's why we find an interesting thing... When wicked Amalek attacked, Moses commanded Joshua — "**tzai hee'lachem b'Amalek machar** — go battle against Amalek tomorrow..." Joshua wondered — why did he mention "tomorrow"? If we're being attacked, when else should we fight?

But Moses said — "the greatest threat Amalek poses is that they seduce you to use the word 'tomorrow'... A Jew receives a letter asking for money, he snorts, 'Ah, I have time to do it tomorrow...' Another person is moved to open up Jewish book and study, meanwhile he sees the playoffs starting on television. Amalek sneaks in, "The book won't run away. I can study tomorrow...' There's no other time for a Jew than right now..." (Avraham of Slonim)

If you really want to do something, nothing can stop you. Once Reb Shmelcke of Nicklesburg raced to Vienna to plead against an evil decree that had been declared against his city. When he reached the Danube, it was so full of treacherous ice-floes, no ferryman would cross him. Reb Shmelcke hired a tiny boat, climbed in with his student, and together they began singing the **Az Yashir** which Moses recited at the Red Sea. People watched with mouths open as the boat crossed safely without capsizing.

When word reached the emperor, he was so impressed, he lifted the decree.

May Tu b'Shvat herald the Spring of Redemption, and may we eat the fruits of peace. Shabbat Shalom.

Opinion

Centre Shelanu attempts to correct emotional and learning disabilities. Its day care home in the Mount Pleasant area of the city blends in with the other single family dwellings on the street on which it is located. The kids range in age from 12–19, and they are neither retarded nor organically damaged, spokesmen say. (David Groskind photos)

A classroom session at Centre Shelanu. Edwin Schild (with glasses and yarmulka), is the director of school services. Stan Lerner (with plaid shirt), is the centre's director while Margaret Findlay (head resting on her hand), instructs the pupils. Social worker Ruth Gertner sits beside Ms. Findlay. Centre Shelanu is a program of Jewish Family and Child Service and sponsored by Ontario Ministry of Health. It has a budget of $300,000, and a staff of 17, including two part-time students studying at university.

Centre Shelanu attempts to sort out problems of community's emotionally troubled youngsters

By SHELDON KIRSHNER
CJN Staff Reporter

TORONTO —

They come to Centre Shelanu because they are scarred by emotional and learning disabilities. The youngsters who take advantage of the treatment centre are generally incapable of coping with the rigors of daily life and of co-existing with their parents, unable to make friends and unwilling to go to school.

The kids, all of whom are Jewish, are sent to Centre Shelanu by the Jewish Family and Child Service or by private and or consulting psychiatrists. Ranging in age from 12-19, they hail from a wide variety of socio-economic backgrounds.

Psychiatrists and social workers might classify them as "disturbed," but Edwin Schild, the centre's 30-year-old director of school services, dislikes that word. "Disturbed," said the native of Macon, Georgia, "is an unfair and probably incorrect description of their emotional equilibrium because they are neither retarded nor organically damaged."

In fact, Centre Shelanu's firm policy is not to admit the retarded to its quaint headquarters on a quiet tree-lined street in the Mount Pleasant area of the city.

Some of the kids, of whom there are presently a total of 14, do function at a level approaching retardation. Yet, he emphasized, they are not dysfunctional human beings. A visit to Centre Shelanu confirms this. One comes away with the impression that while they are full of energy, and perhaps somewhat rowdy, they are also personable and seemingly at ease with their surroundings.

The majority will not go on to university, but at least two of the kids at Centre Shelanu are perfectly capable of handling a post high school work load, confided teacher Margaret Findlay.

Centre Shelanu, a program of Jewish Family and Child Service, is sponsored by the Ontario Ministry of Health and is currently operated on a budget of about $300,000. The staff of 17, including two part-time social work students from local universities, work out of two old cottages leased from Greenwin Construction.

The day care centre, housed at 196 Keewatin Avenue (482-3023), cannot be identified by the passerby as a treatment centre since it blends in with the rest of the cottages on the street. It accommodates eight pupils but in time there will be as many as 30.

There are group therapy rooms, offices and a cheerful classroom here. The youngsters, a few of whom divide their day between this school and a regular school, are taught the same subjects as in any other school in Toronto. But the main difference between Centre Shelanu's classroom and those of the Metro School Board is that the children are not subject to as much pressure and the teacher-pupil ratio is infinitely smaller.

The idea underlying the school at the centre is to straighten out their emotional and learning problems as soon as possible and send them home and into regular schools.

Since they are Jewish, the centre has devised a Jewish identity program which is intended to have the effect of reinforcing their Jewishness and understanding of Israel and Judaism, according to Schild.

In addition to the day care facility, Centre Shelanu also has a residence just a few hundred yards down the same block. It is a warm, intimate place with six beds, a recreation room equipped with a color TV and a strictly kosher kitchen supervised by a mashgiach. Free to come and go, the children are provided with keys to the front door. Not all who go to the day care centre are necessarily wards of the residence.

Stan Lerner, the 32-year-old director, explained the boys and girls spend an average of seven months in residency before release. One year is the mean length of time spent in the day care centre.

Family involvement is a crucial component of Centre Shelanu, in the view of social worker Ruth Gertner. Facilities such as Centre Shelanu have historically stressed patient rather than family care, she said, but Centre Shelanu itself underlines the overall family approach to therapy. A Sunday camp program in Guelph augments this total sense of family involvement.

According to the staffers, one of Centre Shelanu's problems has been that some parents cannot bring themselves to refer their Jewish princes or princesses to a treatment centre. For them, the shame involved is so deep they would rather keep their children at home in order not to acknowledge the fact that is inescapable in the eyes of social workers or psychiatrists.

Yet that is a problem that can be partially solved as Centre Shelanu gains the trust and recognition of the whole community. The centre was founded in 1974, and is now in the midst of an expansion program designed to increase the number of its pupils. Centre Shelanu is looking for more emotionally troubled youngsters, and as Schild says: "We want to help them become part of society instead of its burden."

Founded major Reform bodies

Clear-sighted vision of Rabbi Isaac Mayer Wise helped put Reform movement on firm foundation

Landmark Events In Our History

By ROCHELLE CARR

From Jan. 12 to 15, 1892, a group of rabbis met in New Orleans to discuss various aspects of Jewish ritual. Those present were members of the Central Conference of American Rabbis, one of the three arms of Reform Judaism, the other two being the Union of American Hebrew Congregations and Hebrew Union College.

Present at that meeting was Rabbi Isaac Mayer Wise, the man who, more than any other, was responsible for the creation of the three bodies.

Born in Steingrub, Bohemia on March 29, 1819, Wise saw early the limitations the Old World held for Jews and, subsequently, left for America. By the time the 27-year-old rabbi and father of one small daughter (through his marriage to Theresa Bloch and, after her death, to Selma Bondi, daughter of Rabbi Judah Bondi, he became the father of 11 children who would survive him) arrived in his adopted country, there were approximately 60,000 Jews there.

Wise, a man who combined both scholarly attainments and clear-sighted vision, quickly assessed the situation of the Jews in America. Much of what kept Jews as Jews in the shtetl life was being strongly challenged by a new way of life in this land free of pogroms.

His life-long, multifarious activities on behalf of Jews in America stemmed mainly from his desire to ensure that Judaism be preserved by adapting certain of its aspects to existing needs while completely retaining others, a process, he believed, which would strengthen one's commitment to Judaism. For instance, he cut out many prayers that he considered were repetitive but insisted that Shabbat be fully observed.

Almost from the moment he set foot on American soil, he met varying types of opposition. His first American pulpit, at Beth El in Albany, acted as a forewarning of the hard struggles that lay ahead for him. So difficult were these days (in addition, his daughter, Laura, died) that Wise's physician forced him to take a vacation in Washington. (About three decades after Wise had left them, there was a new generation in the Albany synagogue and they backed his reforms.),

Then, in 1854, Wise accepted the position of rabbi at Congregation Bene Yeshurun in Cincinnati where he would spend the remaining 46 years of his life (almost 81-years-old, he would suffer a fatal stroke there after conducting a Shabbat afternoon discussion with some of his rabbinic students) with a congregation that supported his views and encouraged his endeavors.

These were years in which Wise increased his writing load, fought for the rights of Jews everywhere and, of course, did all he could to strengthen Judaism in America, despite opposition from various corners over his methods.

Even after his death, Wise would be criticized by some Jews for having gone too far and by others for not having gone far enough.

The fact of the matter remains that, today, within the Reform movement — a movement put on a firm foundation by Wise — there are thousands of congregations and hundreds of thousands of Jews within them whose contributions to Judaism, Israel and the world, in general, are incalculable.

Rabbi Isaac Mayer Wise, Reform leader

Sweet and sour of Young Judaea Conference

By J.B. SALSBERG

For two weeks now I have been in the grip of two contradictory feelings that stem from a single experience. One is a feeling of elation and the other is of disturbing gloom.

Both originate from the Canadian Young Judaea conference which took place in Kitchener, and which I had the privilege to attend.

The only way out of my psychological oscillation would seem to be to get on the psychiatrist's couch and talk about it, get it out of my system. So here I go.

Young Judaea in Canada is one of half-a-dozen youthful Zionist movements that are functioning in this country. The others are Bnai Akiva, Hashomer Hatzair, Betar, Dror, Habonim, etc. Each of the sectors is spiritually and politically (sometimes even organizationally) closely related to a political ideology or party in Israel and is its offshoot here.

Young Judaea is the semi-autonomous child of the "general Zionists" (Liberal Party in Israel and the Zionist Organization of Canada). It is also the largest of the Zionist youth organizations in Canada and it has branches, or groups, from coast to coast.

Ideologies aside, each of these groups is of great national import to us. Despite the numerical smallness of their combined membership, they do manage to gather around themselves concerned and dedicated young people who deserve our unlimited attention, care, help and warmth. (In saying this I am not minimizing the importance of other organized Jewish youth organizations in our midst.)

When I have to choose between addressing a youth organization or an adult body I invariably, and without hesitation, accept the invitation of the young group, whatever its ideology. I did just that when I was invited to address the Young Judaea conference in Kitchener.

I arrived early in the day, though my address was scheduled for the evening. I wanted to be tuned in to their thinking, their deliberations, the things that troubled them and the plans that they were fashioning for the coming year.

There were about 80 of them; alert, earnest, probing young people who represented their membership from Glace Bay to Vancouver. I listened to them when they divided into smaller groups to discuss, under the guidance of their several shlichim (guides and instructors) from their movement in Israel. The young delegates dealt with such thorny problems as the PLO, peace for Israel, their approach to Canadian Jewish youth, their summer camps, etc. They faced vital challenges and they accepted heavy burdens for their youthful shoulders.

But while I drew inspiration from the young people, I was also moved to despair by the glaring absence of those of the older generation for whom Young Judaea should be the apple of their eyes. They just weren't there.

Not one of the leaders of the Zionist Organization of Canada was there to offer inspiration, or help, or to gain inspiration and courage from the young people — their heirs, if heirs they are to have. Was there anything more important on their agenda during that conference? If yes, then they have their priorities all wrongly arranged.

Did the young people invite, or did they fail to invite the adult leaders of their movement to the conference? I don't know. But in either case, they should have felt drawn irresistibly to attend it.

Another painful manifestation was the absence of the Kitchener adult Jewish community from the conference that took place in its spacious synagogue centre. Neither the local adult leadership nor its rank-and-file came to warm themselves at the fire which the conference kindled in their midst. Three good Kitchener Jews — one man and two helpful ladies — came and did everything they could to be of service to the conference in their midst. How often has our Kitchener community the opportunity to become a part of a nation-wide Jewish assembly of young people?

I felt like shouting — gevalt! I didn't, but I do so now.

To those whose feelings may be hurt by the above lines I say: "Forgive me, for that was not my intention."

To those who may be displeased by what I said and to those who may be angry with me for what I said, I say: "It may pain me more than you."

To the 80 wonderful Young Judaea delegates and their shlichim I say: "Please accept my sincere gratitude for an inspiring experience!"

Letters to the Editor

Petition for release of Dr. Shtern

Dear Editor:

We recently had the opportunity to meet with Viktor Shtern, whose father, Dr. Mikhail Shtern, is presently imprisoned in the Soviet Union.

Dr. Mikhail Shtern was arrested in the Ukraine in 1973, shortly after members of his family applied to leave the Soviet Union for Israel. He was held for six months without formal charges being laid. During this time, the Ukrainian prosecutor made attempts to gather witnesses who would testify that Dr. Shtern was poisoning children in his medical practice. When these attempts failed, charges of accepting bribes were brought against Dr. Shtern. The resulting sentence of eight years in a "strengthened" regime labor camp is tantamount to a death sentence for the 56-year-old Dr. Shtern.

There have been worldwide appeals for the freedom of Dr. Shtern — to date they have gone unanswered. We feel this is all the more reason to raise our voices on Dr. Shtern's behalf. In conjunction with the Israel Medical Association (Toronto chapter), we will be attempting to gather signatures from Toronto area physicians for a petition requesting the release of Dr. Shtern. It is our feeling that we may all pay dearly in the future if we are silent now.

S. Silverberg, M.D., J. Greenbaum, M.D., A. Pollard, M.D., Toronto.

Attitude 'naive'

Dear Editor:

Bob Kaplan's superb letter considering deeply the many sides and ramifications of the PLO in Canada issue, lends graciousness and dignity to your columns by bringing directly into the homes of the Jewish community the perspectives of the Jew in national and international politics.

Such an association is rare, in the short time I have been in Toronto, only the names of David Rotenberg and Philip Givens come to mind as similar examples, and these are but a few who stand in stark contrast to Mr. Kaplan's cabinet colleague of Jewish origin in Ottawa, or to the hundreds of others in Canada and other countries who participate in national and international politics, but whose sole involvement with the Jewish community is to criticize it, or the state of Israel, usually indirectly or through the media, at that!

Nevertheless, I have a serious disagreement with Mr. Kaplan. I feel that his viewpoint has missed a vital historical dimension. His is the view and hope of a young man who has grown up in freedom, living in a country that is barely 100 years old. Speaking of "Canadian tradition" and "Canadian values" is admirable in one sense, but naive in historical perspective, because all the lessons of history are that totalitarian or genocidal desires if allowed to get a foothold, can rapidly sweep away human rights and free speech.

Bruno Bettelheim who experienced the destruction of a long-established culture and was imprisoned in Dachau and Buchenwald in the early part of the war, tried to explain to himself and others what had happened; a paragraph he wrote is surely appropriate here when we consider whether to allow the preachers of genocide into this country, or whether we are prepared to set, at least, some minimal limits.

He wrote: "At the inception of the tyranny, the longer action was delayed, the weaker grew the ability to resist. But once set in motion this process had its own momentum. For a long time many were still convinced that at the next inroad made on their autonomy, at the next infringement of liberty, at the next degradation, they would definitely take decisive action. Only by that time they could no longer act, and they had to realize too late that the road to disintegration, or worse to the death camp, had been paved with intentions not acted on in time."

I think that Dr. Plaut from his own experiences knows this, and I wish that his colleagues who were born in or came as young children to Canada would listen and understand why he is saying that the PLO should be kept out.

If Canadian values stand for anything, then surely Canada's enormous prestige in the world (a prestige often not appreciated within Canada) can stand for a semblance of morality and sanity in the world, an ability to say "no" once. If the UN is worth anything it will continue without the PLO; if the UN were to cancel a housing conference because the PLO are kept out, then indeed the UN is not worth saving.

Joseph Berger, Willowdale.

'Dutiful Liberal'

Dear Editor:

In his letter of Jan. 2 Member of Parliament Bob Kaplan asks us to keep quiet about the PLO coming to the UN Habitat conference at Vancouver. He is being a dutiful Liberal in saying that. But now that the UN has been taken over by world Communism and their Arab and African supporters, why should we agree with everything the UN does? As has been reported, buying votes in the UN with Arab oil money is quite easy. I say to hell with the UN and their PLO observers and will continue to object to our government as I see fit.

H. Alken, Downsview.

Organizations and People

what's new...

By MIRIAM HERMAN

JEWISH MUSIC FESTIVAL

During Jewish Music Festival 1976, which begins this weekend and runs to March 17, Shabbat Shirah services will be held in all congregations. Among those listed so far are B'nai Israel Beth David leading off with a special oneg shabbat tonight at 8:15 p.m., featuring their Cantor Mikhail Alexandrovich. Then, at the Saturday 9 a.m. services, on the 17th, Beth Am celebrates with a new selection of cantorial music presented by the congregation's choir under the direction of their Cantor Moshe Katz. And Beth Tzedec highlights their Cantor Joseph Cooper, assisted by the choir and choral group conducted by Gordon Kushner and Srul Glick.

MYTHS AND FACTS

A meeting dealing with **Zionism and Arab Propaganda — Myths and Facts** has been called for this Sunday, the 18th, at 7:30 p.m. at Beth Tikvah Synagogue. The guest speaker is Holy Blossom Rabbi W. Gunther Plaut with Canadian Zionist Federation leader Louis Silver and Beth Tikvah Rabbi Herbert Feder conducting the discussions. The meeting is being sponsored by the congregation, together with the CZF.

YIDDISH LECTURE

Another interesting event scheduled for Sunday, the 17th, is the Toronto Yiddish Culture Council lecture by Jerusalem Yiddish poet and publicist Dr. David Sfard. His topic — **Yiddish Literature and Culture in Israel.** The time is 8:30 p.m. at the Workmen's Circle Hall.

CANADIANS AT CONFERENCE

At the International Conference of Principals held in Jerusalem during the winter holidays, Jewish educators from Canada, Australia, England and the U.S. participated in a special educational workshop and seminar sponsored by the World Zionist Organization in conjunction with the Canadian Zionist Federation. The group met with principals of various Israeli schools, examined educational materials, and attended curriculum seminars on problems relating to Jewish education in the Diaspora. The Canadian contingent included Yechial Glustein and Rosa Finestone of the Solomon Schechter Academy, David Finestone of Camp Massad and Rabbi Moshe Feder of Herzliah high school, all of Montreal; Joseph Klinger of Keren Hatarbut Institute and Shaar Shalom Congregation, Toronto, and Rabbi Henoch Miller, formerly with Hamilton's Hebrew Academy.

FOR SINGLES

Dancetime at the Beth Emeth Bais Yehuda Drop-In Centre for singles is this Sunday, the 18th, at 8 p.m. Since its first meeting in November, this centre has organized a variety of events, and plans are going ahead for a conference to discuss group activities and community involvement. Mollie Sobel has been elected its first president, with Mary Clarfield and Lil Rose as vice-presidents, Pauline Gluckstein, secretary, and Lilia Bergson, treasurer.

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Another group, the World of the 'Y' Singles is scheduling a 10-week course to examine the problems faced by unmarried men and women. The first session is set for Wednesday, Jan. 21, at 7:30 p.m. at the north 'Y'. Discussion leaders are Lynda Tribbling of Ryerson Creative Divorce program, and Michael Silverman, 'Y' executive program director. The numbers to call are Ms. Tribbling at 248-2089 or Mr. Silverman at 636-1880.

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Every Saturday evening from 8 p.m. on, there's dancing to Israeli and discotheque music in the Zionist Centre's Jerusalem Hall. It is arranged by the Zionist Singles (20-39 years). Reservations are not necessary — just go along.

ABOUT WAGES AND PRICES

The New Fraternal Jewish Association is presenting a symposium on the **Liberal Government's Wage and Price Guidelines,** with Charles Caccia, Liberal MP for Davenport, speaking for the government, and David Archer, Ontario Federation of Labor president, and chairman of the Histadrut trade union council, on the side of labor. The date is Tuesday, Jan. 20, at 8:30 p.m. at 120 Overbrook Place, Downsview.

YOUNG ADULTS PROGRAM

The new young adults program at the north 'Y' gets off to a start this Sunday, the 18th, with a wine and cheese party plus folksinger, beginning at 7:30 p.m. in the 'Y' lounge.

LZA LECTURE

Deputy president of the Zionist Organization of Canada, Max Goody, will be speaking on **A World in Turmoil,** at the Tuesday, Jan. 20, lecture of the Labor Zionist Alliance series. It takes place at 8:30 p.m. at the LZA centre on Viewmount Avenue.

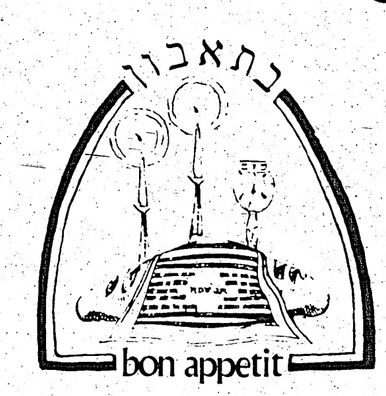
FREE JEWISH UNIVERSITY

The Jewish Student Federation at York University is sponsoring a free Jewish university (open to everyone) with courses in Hebrew, Yiddish, Jewish cooking, calligraphy, Israeli dancing, Mishna, and stamp and coin collections. Sessions begin this week. For information, call the JSF office at 667-3647.

MIDDLE EAST DIGEST

The Canada-Israel Committee has instituted the publication of a Canadian Middle East digest. It will be put out on a bi-weekly basis.

Candied orange peels are popular Tu B'Shvat delicacy



By MARCIA KRETZMER

JERUSALEM —

Tu B'Shvat, the 15th of Shvat, is the New Year for Trees. In ancient times, this marked the date from which the appropriate tithes were calculated. But a number of folk customs grew up around the day, and the modern celebrations of Tu B'Shvat by planting trees as a symbol of the resettlement and refructifications of the land of Israel, can in fact be traced back to tree-planting on this day in earlier times.

According to one particularly beautiful Jerusalem custom, a cedar tree was planted for every newborn male child, and a cypress tree for every female. The trees were later cut down and used as posts for the chupah when a marriage was contracted.

A more recent, but firmly established tradition is to name children born on Tu B'Shvat, for trees. Typical examples are Oren, Ilana, Alon or Erez.

Although large tracts of dense forest covered the holy land in biblical times, much was destroyed over the centuries by nomads and their flocks, and later, by the Turks during times of expansion and public works. Most of the wooded areas seen today in Israel were planted in reafforestation projects by the **Keren Kayemet L'Yisrael** — the Jewish National Fund, over the last half-century.

Of course, afforestation is one of Israel's most sacred cows. And therefore, not surprisingly, it comes in for a good deal of fun-poking. Who will ever forget the scene in the Israeli film **Salah Shabati** when the American tourist couple are driven out into the middle of nowhere to gaze with pride at "their" tree, conspicuously sign-posted with their name — which immediately after their departure, is relabelled for the next visitors!

From early on, Tu B'Shvat was also celebrated by eating fruits, and this custom gained in popularity, especially outside Israel. The eating of fruits grown in Israel is particularly emphasized.

One of these is the **bokser,** the brown, toffee-like pod, which comes from the carob tree. Another is, of course, the orange. Here is a recipe for a popular Tu B'Shvat delicacy: **pomerantzen,** or candied orange peels. The imported Jaffas with the thick, fragrant peels, make the most successful pemerantzen.

POMERANTZEN
7 oranges
6 cups granulated sugar
1 cup confectioner's sugar
water

1. quarter the oranges and remove pulp, or leave a small amount of pulp attached to the peels, if wished. Cover peels with water and boil 20 minutes. Discard this water and reboil peels in fresh water for a further 20 minutes. Place peels in a basin of cold water and remove the outer orange skins with a sharp knife. Leave peels in cold water overnight

2. boil together 6 cups sugar and 1 cup water, drop in the peels and continue to cook without covering until nearly all the syrup has boiled away

3. pour in the confectioner's sugar and stir well. This will glaze and crystalize the fruits. When the mixture is practically juiceless, remove peels. Place on a board, pour over the remaining drops of syrup and cut peels into strips before they harden. Store, when cold, in a glass jar.

n.b. you can stuff each strip with half an almond as a variation

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Shabbat Shalom and Tu B'Shvat Sameach!

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Lubavitch convention for women planned

voice of youth

By JEFFREY LIPSITZ

Every year the "Neshei U'Bnos Chabad" Convention is held in a particular North American city where Lubavitch women of all ages gather for a weekend program.

This year the Shabbaton will be held in Toronto's Clanton Park Synagogue on the weekend of Jan. 23-25.

The theme for this "encounter for women," because 5736 is a leap year on the Jewish calendar, is **Completion — The Purpose of the Jewish Leap Year — The Purpose of Life.**

The cost is $12.50 for the entire weekend. Accommodation can be arranged. Contact Mrs. Esther Grossbaum at 782-5652 days and Mrs. Sandra Gewirtz at 782-9658 evenings for information.

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On the weekend of Saturday, Jan. 17, Shabbat Shira, Beth Tikvah USY members are invited to a mini-Shabbaton at Beth Tikvah. The theme, because this Saturday is also Tu Bishvat, is **The Jew and His Environment,** with one speaker presenting the Jewish view on environment and one the scientific view.

A Shabbat meal after services is included in the cost of $1.

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Applications are now available for the 17th Annual Convention of the Eastern Canadian Region of USY, which will be held at the Sheraton Hotels in Niagara Falls, Ont. on the weekend of Feb. 13-15, 1976.

The cost is $10, subsidies may be available from individual synagogues.

For information, contact Convention Chairman Jacky Feldman at 633-9921, Regional Director Lou Garber at 667-3647 or your youth director.

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Tribute medal to Daniel Moynihan.

An American Jewish organization is paying great tribute to **Daniel Moynihan.** The U.S. ambassador to the UN has been selected as the recipient of the Judaic Heritage Society's 1975 annual award medal for his uncompromising stand in the face of the anti-Zionism resolution at the UN. Which means that a solid gold medal is being struck in his likeness, to be presented to him on behalf of the society. This award, in recognition of outstanding service to the Jewish people, was first issued in the year of Israel's 25th anniversary, honoring the late **President Harry Truman** and has since been given to **Golda Meir** and **Senator Henry Jackson.**

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Keynote speaker at the upcoming convention of the Lubavitch National Women's League, being held in Toronto the weekend of the 23rd, is **Rabbi Avraham Shemtov.** Director of Lubavitch in Philadelphia and southern New Jersey, and lecturer at Temple University as well, his heavy work schedule has still allowed for such outside activities as being a delegate to the White House conference on children and youth, and last year hosting a dinner in honor of **President Gerald Ford.**

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At the annual meeting of the Joint Distribution Committee held in New York recently, a number of Toronto's Jewish community leaders were elected to its board of directors and national council. **Abe Posluns** will continue to serve on the board, and the following were elected to the council: **David Goldberg, Charles Kent, Henry S. Rosenberg, Herbert Solway, Wolfe Goodman, Stephen Berger, Phil Granovsky, Dr. Ralph Halbert, Morrie Latchman, J.C. Oelbaum, Ben Schneider, Dr. A.A. Epstein, Albert J. Green, Morris B. Kaufman, Mrs. Charles Kent, Mrs. David Lipson, Jack Rose, Mrs. Allen Small,** and **Ray D. Wolfe.**

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Beth Sholom Sisterhood is calling their special Oneg Shabbat slated for Friday, the 23rd, the event of the year. That's because it is honoring **Ida L. Siegel,** whose long list of credits names her as the founder, and president for 10 years, of the first Conservative sisterhood in Ontario (Goel Tzedec), and the first woman to serve as a school trustee on the Toronto Board of Education. The indefatigable 90-year-old will be speaking about the Conservative movement. The evening begins at 8:15 p.m.

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Almost immediately after his return from Israel, Ontario Attorney-General **Roy McMurtry** will be addressing the Beth Tzedec Men's Club. The date set for "**An Eyewitness Report on Israel**" is Sunday, Jan. 25, at 10 a.m.

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At a dinner given by the Owen Sound Hebrew Congregation last month in honor of their 50th wedding anniversary, **Mr. and Mrs. David Cadesky** commemorated this important event in their lives by presenting a cheque to the United Israel Appeal.

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University of Montreal Professor **Herbert Merx** was one of the 11 members named to the Quebec Commission on Human Rights by a unanimous vote of the National Assembly of Quebec.

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Are you ready for this? The rumor mill has it that **Sheik Ahmed Yamani** may be a Jew converted to the Islamic faith. According to Israel newspaper **Maariv,** the Saudi Arabian oil minister's mother, sister and brothers, who immigrated to Israel via Yemen in 1951, state that he changed religions in order to accept an important position in the court of the Saudi Arabian king. The woman claiming to be his sister said she identified her "long-lost brother" from a photograph, stating that he was born Yihye Zacharia and called Zaki by his family.

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Unique art tour to Israel on Feb. 29

TORONTO —

What is billed by its organizers as a unique art tour to Israel gets underway Sunday, Feb. 29 and ends 10 days later.

The tour, organized by Corson Travel Service of Toronto, will be lead by Queenie Teichman, a Toronto professional art tourer and lecturer. Although the participants will visit many of Israel's museums and historical sites, the highpoint of the trip will be inspection tours of some of the country's finest private art collections.

The action begins on the third day when they visit Tel Aviv's Haaretz Museum, the Tel Aviv Museum, the Helena Rubinstein Pavillion of Art, and Jaffa's Museum of Antiquities.

Among the sights they will see on the fourth day, will be an exhibition of Islamic art and Persian artifacts at Acre's museum, Haifa's municipal museum and the artists' village at Ein Hod.

In the following days, they will pay visits to Safed's artists' quarter, Ein Harod's museum containing rare Judaica ritual objects, and ancient excavations in Samaria. In Jerusalem, they plan to see the Rockefeller Museum of Archaeology, the Israel Museum and the Chagall tapestries in the Knesset.

The group will also visit the Bezalel School of Art and Marc Chagall's famous stained-glass windows at the Hadassah Medical Centre. That evening, they will walk through Jerusalem's art colony and meet the artists in their galleries.

On their last day in the country devoted to art, they will take in the excavations at Jericho, the oldest city in the world, and visit the remains of Qumran, site of the Dead Sea Scrolls.

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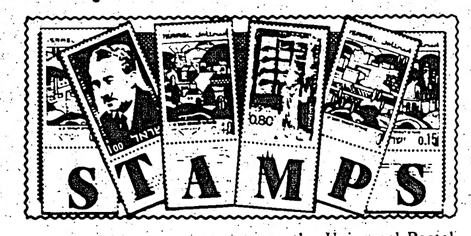

By CHAIM YEHUDA

The topic of Judaica on stamps is undoubtedly a very large one which, in my opinion, includes all philatelic items relating to the philosophy and social and economic history of the Jewish people in all lands throughout history. The collection should also be supplemented with stamps that reveal our relationships with non-Jews. The individual collector must decide personally what is to be included in his or her collection. Items of a curiosity nature may also be given a place.

For example, some Judaica collectors may want to include the advertising tabs or labels purchased by Jewish businessmen and attached "se-tenant" to the Italian definitive stamps of 1925 which show the portrait of King Victor Emmanuel III. A label the same size as the stamp was printed on alternating rows between the actual stamps and was not separated from the stamps by perforations. This space was sold for advertising to 12 firms, of which five were operated by Jews: Coen Fabrics, De Montel Lamps, Piperno Fabrics, and Tagliacozzo Linens all of Rome and Reinach Lubricants of Milan.

John H. Richter in his noted work, **Judaica On Postage Stamps,** reports that only the Reinach firm re-opened after the war, and members of both the Piperno and Tagliacozzo families presently live in Israel.

This advertising postage stamp combination lasted only a few months, since amongst other reasons the Universal Postal Union prohibits the use of advertising material attached to stamps, specifically in this case on a label not perforated from the stamp itself. Also, this arrangement was not well received by philatelists. Had these inscriptions been inserted on the margins or selvage and detachable from the actual stamps by perforations, this venture might have continued even under objections from various groups.

The true philatelist may wish to discard these items from his or her collection of Judaica on stamps. However, it is up to the individual to make one's own choice. In any case, there is an obvious connection of these stamps to Judaica and philately.

Design of Olympic coin insulting to non-Christians: numismatist

By S.K. LAZAROV

TORONTO — Robert Aaron, an avid numismatist, will grudgingly buy the $100 Olympic gold coin when it is minted in May although he finds its design "insulting" to non-Christians.

A director of the Canadian Numismatic Association and freelance coin columnist for The Toronto Star, Aaron claims the Olympic coin, the design of which has been approved by the federal cabinet, "is an insult to the hundreds of thousands of Canadians who are not Christian and who do not believe in Jesus Christ."

The Toronto lawyer, who said he was speaking personally, has written a letter to Postmaster-General Bryce Mackasey complaining that the lettering on the coin — "776 B.C.-1976 A.D." — should be changed to read "776 B.C.E. (Before the Common/Christian Era)-1976 C.E. (Common/Christian Era)." Three hundred and fifty thousand $100 Olympic coins are due to be struck by the Canadian mint.

Aaron asserts the "B.C." designation should be eliminated so as not to undermine the tradition which separates church and state in Canada.

Aaron has sent copies of his Dec. 23 letter to Prime Minister Trudeau, Conservative Leader Robert Stanfield, John Diefenbaker, members of parliament, Austin Page, head of the Olympic coin program, Canadian Jewish Congress and the Islamic Foundation of Canada.

As of press time, only two persons had responded to Aaron's letter. Page, writing for the postmaster-general and himself, noted: "While I appreciate the views that you put forward, I believe that Canadian society is based on tolerance and mutual respect. Many aspects of our everyday life are inherited from both Jewish and Christian tradition. I am personally pleased to live in a country which benefits from both."

Conservative MP Tom Cossitt, of the Ontario riding of Leeds, and a critic of the coin program, concurred with Aaron's criticism. Aaron said he expected further replies shortly.

Robert Aaron

In Aaron's opinion, the designer of the Olympic coin, Dora de Pedery-Hunt, is not responsible for the objectionable lettering. "I absolve her from blame," said Aaron in an interview. Ultimate responsibility for the design, he added, rests with Mackasey and Page.

Mrs. de Pedery-Hunt, a well-known and highly regarded designer who has some 33 years of experience in her field, said her design had nothing whatsoever to do with religion. She disclosed it was her idea to incorporate "776 B.C.-1976 A.D." into the Olympic coin design.

"The government had the chance to change it, but they did not," she said. Mrs. de Pedery-Hunt, a Hungarian-born Canadian, emphasized that it was now too late to alter the design.

Disagreeing with Aaron's suggestion that "B.C." should be changed to "B.C.E.," Mrs. de Pedery-Hunt, who has designed bar mitzvah medals in the past, said the latter would not be understood by the average person. She said "B.C." is a commonly accepted historical expression "which has nothing to do with religion."

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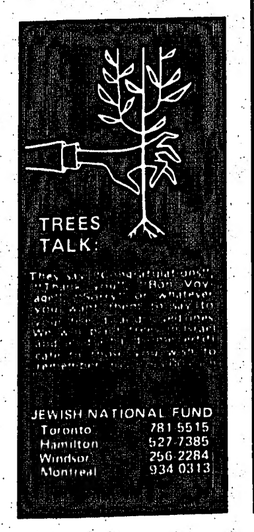

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Economic trouble may spur anti-Semitism, warns American Jewish Studies professor

By S.K. LAZAROV

TORONTO —

Arab propaganda blasting Israel and equating Zionism with racism has not made any substantial impact on American public opinion, but certain objective factors — "facts of life" — may precipitate fairly widespread anti-Semitism in the United States, says a prominent sociologist.

Marshall Sklare, visiting Toronto under the aegis of the Board of Jewish Education, doubted whether Arab propaganda has made a "serious impact" on Americans but he warned that the ongoing energy crisis, the weakness of Western currencies and the growing economic power enjoyed by the oil-producing Arab states may trigger the kind of anti-Semitic reaction the Arabs' propaganda efforts have failed to achieve so far.

A professor of American Jewish Studies and sociology at Brandeis University, Sklare suggested in an interview that the persons most susceptible to anti-Semitic appeals would be the bottom and top elements of American society.

The ones at the bottom would act out of a feeling of economic desperation and those at the pinnacles of power "might be prepared to sacrifice Jewish interests if their interests" were challenged.

Sklare, a onetime study director of the division of scientific research of the American Jewish Committee, asserted that the upper class might become deeply involved in a wave of anti-Semitism because many of their members are company directors who work for multinational firms whose loyalty to the U.S. is not as clear-cut as it was 30 or 40 years ago.

Replying to a question, Sklare noted it was inconceivable that Israel and the Diaspora could forge a "normal" relationship similar to that existing between American ethnic-Irish and Ireland, and ethnic Germans and Germany.

Sklare stressed that there is a feeling within the American community that "we're terribly overextended and that the 'emergency situation' is permanent rather than transitory."

He said the Jewish community "feels under enormous pressure" by the nature of its commitment to Israel and would be relieved if Israel could achieve what he termed "normalcy."

Speaking of a scenario whereby the U.S. "talks very tough" to Israel and tells her to go back to the 1967 lines, Sklare remarked that the resulting situation would place the Jewish state "under tremendous cross-pressure" from Jerusalem and Washington. So far, he added, there has been no great pressure from the White House.

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Focusing on Israel's economic needs and problems in 1976, the Prime Minister's Conference is developing a program of action to increase the participation of Jewish communities abroad in alleviating the severe pressures on Israel's economy resulting from the record high defence budget and a staggering balance of payments deficit of more than $3.5 billion, according to Sam Rothberg, general chairman of the Israeli Bond organization.

Representing Toronto at the conference are Jack Buchman, associate chairman; Mrs. Sol Goldstein, associate chairman of the women's division; Alex Eisen, co-chairman of the synagogues division; Ben Himel, chairman of cash collections; Mrs. Gerald Morton and Mrs. Samuel Sarick, co-chairmen of trustees of the women's division; Dr. Sol Goldstein, chairman of the medical division; Rabbi Joseph Kelman, member of the Israel Bond Rabbinic Council executive of Canada; James Senor, executive director; and Mesdames Joseph Kelman, Marcia Krestell and Helen Senor.

For the first time in the 25-year history of the Israel Bond program, the conference met in Europe as well as in Israel.

In Brussels, headquarters of the Common Market, the members of the conference conferred with top officials of the Common Market and with the Israel ambassador and leaders of the Jewish community of Belgium headed by Paul Philipsson, its president and head of the Israel Bond campaign in that country.

Baron Edmond de Rothschild of Paris, president of the Israel Bond organization in Europe, presided at the dinner session last Sunday evening at the Sheraton Hotel in Brussels.

In tribute to the Jews who were killed in the Holocaust in Europe, the visiting Jewish leaders went directly from the Brussels airport on arrival to Camp Breendonk which served as an SS internment centre during World War II. The members of the conference unveiled a memorial tablet in honor of the prisoners who died in that detention camp and the thousands who were deported from there to concentration camps from which they never returned.

Arriving in Israel on Monday evening, the delegation received a briefing on security and military matters from the chief of the air force, Benjamin Peled.

One of the highlights of the conference thus far was the dinner with Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin on Tuesday evening. Prior to the dinner the delegation of Canadian Bond leaders from across the country hosted a reception for Attorney General, Roy McMurtry of Ontario who had arrived in Israel earlier. Also attending were Mrs. McMurtry and members of McMurtry's party.

As The Canadian Jewish News went to press, it was learned that the conference left Jerusalem for the Galilee on Wednesday morning. It was scheduled to stop overnight at Kibbutz Ginossar, the home kibbutz of Deputy Prime Minister Yigal Allon. Allon was to host the group and to provide an orientation and briefing on foreign policy as it affects Israel's economic development.

While in the northern part of the country, the delegates were to visit the front lines of the Golan Heights and receive on the spot explanations of the security situation there.

The balance of the conference will deal with meetings and discussions with other top government leaders in the areas of development, energy and the economy.

In a brief statement prior to departure, Rubin Zimmerman, chairman of the Canadian delegation and general chairman of the Montreal Bond Campaign now in progress, summed up the principal objectives of the Prime Minister's Conference, emphasizing that it would seek to dramatize Israel's urgent need for exports and energy — "exports to reduce the enormous gap in the balance of payments and energy to reduce Israel's dependence on outside sources for the fuel to keep its economy and society going and to maintain its deterrent strength to prevent any new outbreak of war."

In addition, Zimmerman stressed that Israel faces many serious problems in a year in which Israel Bonds funds will be more important than ever to prevent unemployment and to keep its hard-pressed economy from suffering any further setbacks and slowdowns.

Bialik program correlates secular and Hebrew studies

By NANCY SCHWARTZ

David Gamliel

TORONTO — It's a mistake to classify our children as Canadians first and Jews second, says David Gamliel, principal of Bialik Hebrew Day School. "When we do so, we elevate general studies above the study of Bible and the two areas should be fused for the best possible education."

Since coming to Bialik last year, Gamliel has instituted a new program that correlates secular and Hebrew studies. "For instance," he explained, "when we teach a historical subject like the Crusades, we teach it from the Jewish point of view so that students can visualize their place in history.

"Conversely, when we teach Bible, we explore its cultural, historical and linguistic values as well as its intrinsic Hebrew value."

He emphasized that the idea of integration extends to the Jewish studies program. Hebrew literature, history and Yiddish literature are interwoven for a well-rounded education.

Another example of Gamliel's new approach to education is evident in the Russian immigrant curriculum. The students were placed as close to their proper grade level as possible. Volunteers provided extra English tutoring and an ulpan program was set up for Hebrew.

As a result of ulpan and extra tutoring, students who spoke neither English nor Hebrew can now converse in both languages, and have become well integrated socially as well as academically.

Gamliel expects the ulpan class to be even more effective this year. Bialik is using new Russian-Hebrew textbooks that he feels are based on the most modern audio-lingual approach to language.

Gamliel, 39, is an Israeli citizen. He got a BA at Hebrew University and MA from Wayne State University in Detroit where he later became the director of elementary education of United Hebrew schools.

He considers Jerusalem his home and he, his wife Rebecca and two children return to Israel as often as possible. This year Bialik's curriculum is based on material from the Israeli Ministry of Education and Culture that he obtained last summer.

Curriculum is vital to him. There must be objectives for each grade and the school as a whole so that you know where you're heading, he said. "Objectives imply a sequence, a progression from grade to grade — a list of books doesn't make a curriculum."

Gamliel thinks that most Hebrew textbooks are unsuitable. He is always looking for new books and materials. "Israeli texts are too difficult for North American students but the books published here are immature in content."

He explained that when a too-advanced book is used, the teacher must spend much of the lesson translating the Hebrew instead of teaching the subject.

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Mississauga Reform congregation thrives

Roots discovered in 'cultural wasteland'

By GOLDA N. BERG

MISSISSAUGA —
It took Gord Zwaigenbaum, raised in Toronto's "bagel belt," a move to Mississauga — of all places — to find his Jewishness. It wasn't until then, far from the mainstream community in somewhat of a cultural wasteland for a Jew, that he discovered his roots.

Jeff Copland brought his young family to Mississauga in 1972. Originally an Ottawan from an ultra-Orthodox family, he now considers himself a traditional, yet "liberal" Jew, and he admits, he is finally comfortable with this brand of Judaism.

Both men, apparently from disparate backgrounds, are now committed members of a young, two-year-old Reform congregation in the Peel Region, called Solel. The synagogue, housed in part of Glen Erin Hall, an old stone mansion formerly a Catholic mission, has grown from a family of 29 to a congregation of nearly 200 students, young couples and children.

The name "Solel" comes from the Hebrew for "pathfinder," which appropriately describes the congregation's function as a mecca — religiously, educationally and socially — in a sprawling, isolated, non-Jewish community.

— What were some of the drawbacks of living in an environment far from the traditional, cultural urban centre? "When I first came out here," says Copland, "I thought I had seen my last Jew. It was out of a strong need for community that the synagogue was started."

"Toronto is a big community," says Zwaigenbaum, who moved his family to Mississauga in 1967, "you can be a non-participant and still not lose your Jewishness. Unless you make a concerted effort in Mississauga you lose it.

"Toronto Jews take so much for granted, they become indifferent," he continues, "You don't have to be Jewish there when it's all around you."

The shift from a big city to a community with no educational, religious or social outlets made both feel strongly the loss of heritage and the growing concern of the effect on their children.

They discovered others with similar sentiments and needs, and through the efforts of a small nucleus of committed workers, Solel was born.

Larry Englander, rabbi for Mississauga's Reform Congregation Solel, leads the children in a sing-song, one of the several "haimische" activities of the new synagogue. There are 200 families in the community.

The major obstacle facing the founding members was the initial attempt to, as Copland says, "find the Jews." Mississauga, with a population of 230,000 has somewhere around 200 Jewish families. Most are unaffiliated with a synagogue, he adds, although some "commute" to synagogues in Oakville, Hamilton and Toronto.

In an "outreach" program, Copland and Zwaigenbaum, approached all local and cable television stations, Toronto dailies and radio to publicize the congregation. They are still disappointed that large numbers of Jews in the Peel Region are being denied the communal activities of the congregation because they don't know it exists.

Solel's young rabbi is Larry Englander, a recent graduate of Hebrew Union College who first served a two-year, part-time term at the synagogue. Shortly after taking up his full-time post last September, he performed Solel's first wedding.

Copland likes to call Solel a "haimische" synagogue. Despite its growing size, he still feels it is a close-knit community with many members heavily involved in sustaining the shul's activities.

Volunteers man Bingo nights at a local hall to raise money for a building fund. Synagogue members "cater" homemade foods at family-time holiday celebrations — the annual synagogue seder, Purim and Chanukah parties. Friday night services have been held in private homes. The rabbi and a group of members designed and prepared their own holiday prayer book.

But a special source of pride is the religious school. In its first year the school enrolled 25 students, divided into four classes with 10 teachers — all volunteers. This year enrolment has almost tripled to 70 students, in eight classes with 13 volunteer staff and principal. Assistance from Toronto's Temple Sinai and Har Zion congregations helped equip the school and library now located in a separate school in Erin Mills called Pierre Laporte.

The synagogue members, Copland and Zwaigenbaum, co-editors of Solel's congregational bulletin, admit, will now have to grapple with the paradox of seeking new recruits while still maintaining the family-size intimacy.

Says Zwaigenbaum: "its a problem of growing, while still staying where you are."

Conference on Soviet Jewry

TORONTO —
Between 30 and 50 Canadians will join some 800 delegates attending the Second World Jewish Conference on Soviet Jewry to be held in Brussels Feb. 17 to 19, according to David Satok, chairman of the Canadian Committee for Soviet Jewry and vice-president of Canadian Jewish Congress' Central Region.

Satok said he did not have a list of delegates in his possession but disclosed that the Canadian delegation will include many non-Jews from among leading parliamentarians, jurists and academics.

The meeting, which will be addressed by former Israeli premier Golda Meir, is sponsored by the World Jewish Congress, B'nai B'rith and various communal bodies. The first conference on Soviet Jewry took place in 1970.

The delegates, he said in an interview, will discuss a wide range of issues pertaining to emigration and absorption of Soviet Jews in Israel and elsewhere.

One of the most pressing questions they will tackle, he revealed, is what can be done to increase the rate of Jewish emigration from the Soviet Union. Last year, about 8,000 Jews left, in contrast to 16,000 in 1974 and 33,000 in 1973. The delegates will take a look at the Jackson Amendment as well, but Satok observed the consensus is that Senator Henry Jackson's amendment to facilitate emigration does not work and that it may have to be overhauled considerably.

The delegates will also analyze the tactic of applying political pressure on Moscow in an attempt to make it comply with the human rights provisions of the Helsinki accord. They will ask themselves whether Diaspora Jewry should promote cultural and religious activities among Jews who choose to remain in the Soviet Union, and will discuss the plight of the 2,000 Refuseniks.

Satok said the conference will ask the Soviet government "to keep their word on the Helsinki agreement" and conform with their own constitution and the Universal Declaration of Human Rights.

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Travel

Prospects for tourism take turn for better as UN anti-Zionism brings show of solidarity

in my view

By CHARLES LAZARUS

MONTREAL —

Moshe Kol, Israel's Minister of Tourism, has finally come up with a tourist attraction which no country in the world can even attempt to match: Zionism.

"Let me put it to you this way," he told me in an exclusive interview during a one-day visit to Montreal: "We're confident that 1976 will be the year of the great pilgrimage, bringing North American Jews to Israel."

What Kol was saying, of course, is that the moment of truth had been forced upon the North American Jewish community with the anti-Zionist resolution at the United Nations General Assembly early in December, and that the time had come to stand up and be counted.

"There was a surge of solidarity for Israel," Kol continued, making the point that since Israel was born in trauma and nurtured in terror since 1948, North American Jews would have to prove their solidarity, at least by making a first visit to Israel.

But will Zionism be quite enough to bring Jewish tourists across the Atlantic to Israel? What about non-Jewish tourist prospects? What about other attractions that are now being emphasized, in addition to the traditional (and so often tiresome) Egged in-and-out-of-the-bus tours?

"There has been a great change in the tourist prospects in recent weeks, and we expect this upsurge to continue with the increase of our promotion program, providing incentives for conventions and emphasizing health vacations in the waters of the Dead Sea and at the Tiberias hot springs."

Sitting in on my interview with Kol were Joram Kagan, general-manager for El Al Israel Airlines in Canada, and Amnon Gil-Ad, Canadian director in Toronto, for the Israel Government Tourist Office. Their presence was significant, as the minister pointed out:

— While the tourist flow from the United States has been greatly slowed, for a number of reasons and not excluding persistent statements by Israeli hawks over the chances of new hostilities, the reverse is true in terms of the Canadian scene from which tourism, in fact, has increased in 1975 over 1974.

— This, in large measure, can be attributed to the increasing promotion and response from non-Jews, such as in largely Roman Catholic Quebec, making Christian pilgrimages to the Holy Land. (This past Christmas has been an impressive success with 25,000 visitors.)

— Canadian Pacific, through CP Air and CP Hotels — the new Plaza in Jerusalem, the new luxury hostelry under construction and to be opened next year at the Sea of Galilee in Tiberias, and the still to-be-started complex in Tel Aviv — provides built-in promotion for traveling to Israel. Donald Curtis, CP Hotels' chairman and president, is well-versed in Israel tourism going back to the days of the Rothschild and Sonnabend (Hotel Corporation of America) hotel development.

— As for CP Air, its flight schedule to Israel by way of Amsterdam, Rome and Milan is but another link in its projected worldwide service that would include the Middle East and Far East.

Moshe Kol

— With the new Jerusalem Hilton standing next to the sophisticated facilities of the Jerusalem convention centre, the pitch has started to make the Holy City a major focal point for international gatherings.

As an example of Jerusalem's capabilities to host major conventions, Kol pointed to the Canadian Zionist Federation whose annual convention will take place in the Israeli capital from Feb. 9 to 18, and will include a full day's outing to the Dead Sea.

"With major hotels," said Kol, "such as the Jerusalem Plaza, the Hilton and the King David, and the large choice of more modest hotels, we are going to try and get every Jewish organization to hold a conference in Israel during 1976."

— Finally the significance of the Canadian presence was pointed up by the "twinning" program now going on between Canadian and Israeli cities; many of these cities are in the heart of French Canada, and in recent months large numbers of Québecois, including the mayors of their municipalities, have stepped off El Al jets.

"Israel," said Kol, "has a lot going for it in tourism, and a fantastic future; but now that Zionism has been affirmed and reaffirmed throughout the Jewish world, the future looks better than ever."

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'Little said about others who supported UN resolution'

Mexico boycotted while other nations ignored

By LARRY FROMMER
Travel Correspondent

WASHINGTON — In recent weeks many Jewish travelers have cancelled trips to Mexico and several large Jewish organizations have scrubbed their Mexican travel programs in protest against Mexico's affirmation of the UN resolution condemning Zionism as racist.

This is not the first time that Jews have ventilated their displeasure of a country through a travel boycott. Many were reluctant to travel to France when DeGaulle was in power because of his frequent anti-Israel posture, or to Austria when Chancellor Kreisky closed a Vienna refugee centre which had been used as an important processing facility for Russian Jews migrating to Israel.

But no Jewish travel boycott has been as organized, or effective as that currently leveled at Mexico. "We've had thousands of cancellations," admits Rudolpho Caparius, president of the Mexican Association of Hotels and Motels. Among them, incidentally, were 10 large conventions which cancelled in deference to their Jewish delegates.

Jewish travel agencies in the United States and Canada report both large scale cancellations and few new bookings. As Harold Seligman of Caravel Tours, New York, a major travel wholesaler reveals, "the boycott has exceeded what I anticipated and this is only the tip of the iceberg."

The plain fact is that tourism is Mexico's second biggest money earner. Of the more than three million tourists who visited Mexico last year, 85% of them are from North America and a significant percentage of these are Jewish. Such destinations as Acapulco, Mexico City and the Yucatan are traditionally patronized by top dollar Jewish tourists.

The significant difference between the Jewish travel boycott of Mexico and previous ones is the degree of motivation. Earlier boycotts usually were not triggered by a specific dramatic happening, but rather by a series of thinly veiled and often subtle continuing developments. Mexico's denouncement of Zionism as racist was a bolt from the blue unmistakable in its wording and its intent. It was something which Jews could tangibly touch and react to instantly. If Mexico, let us say, had subtly imposed a quota upon Jews entering its universities or selectively restricted them from certain professions, it would not have had the impact nor elicited such a quick and vehement protest.

Not all Jews go along with the travel embargo. Some believe it is a mistake to boycott a country whose treatment of its own Jewish citizens has been impeccable except for a rigidity about Jews in holding public office, considered more nationalistic than anti-Semitic.

Why Mexico, which traditionally has treated its Jewish population with dignity? Isn't this a more authentic expression, they reason, of the country's true attitude towards Jews than a UN vote obviously motivated by short range political and economic expediency?

Like any travel boycott, this one is not without inconsistencies. Jews are effusive in their condemnation of Mexico, but precious little is said about travel to Yugoslavia, Grenada, Brazil, Portugal, Turkey, India and Pakistan which also supported the UN resolution. And how about travel to Greece, Jamaica, Guatemala, Japan, Colombia, Peru, Singapore, Venezuela and Kenya which abstained. Should Jews visit these countries until they have ascertained their true sentiments on the issue or to Spain, whose UN delegate was conveniently absent from voting on this critical issue?

For that matter we can carry these inconsistencies into a broader perspective. Can Jews really feel comfortable traveling to any destination whose treatment of its people runs counter to the sacred Jewish ethic of human rights and dignity? Can they in good conscience visit South Africa with its restrictive apartheid policies, or Haiti with its degrading mass poverty, or Chile with its alleged repression of political prisoners? Should Jews have travelled to Greece, as they did in droves, when the ruling Junta was making a mockery of human rights?

Though I personally refuse to promote Mexico as a tourist destination and have no intention of revisiting there until it softens its posture towards Israel, I have no right to tell anyone else not to go there. Freedom and choice of travel are precious commodities to be vouchsafed and cherished as we have learned from the Soviet's unconscionable travel prohibitions.

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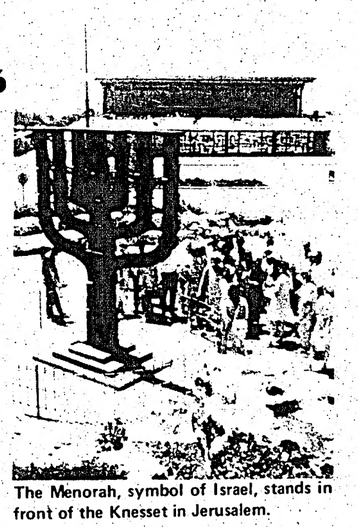

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Israel Tourism Minister Moshe Kol visited Montreal recently and heard of the progress of the CZF convention in Israel, Feb. 9–18. Among the persons he met were Neri Bloomfield (sitting beside him), president of Canadian Hadassah–WIZO, Lily Frank (top left), Hadassah executive vice-president and Stella Torontow, CZF convention co-chairman. (IGTO photo)

MacEachen tours Mideast states

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lion in 1972.

According to an External Affairs press spokesman, MacEachen has gone to Israel "to get a better appreciation" of the country. But he quickly added that MacEachen is not engaged in "shuttle diplomacy a la Kissinger," a reference to globe-trotting U.S. Secretary of State Henry Kissinger.

The spokesman said MacEachen wants to learn on a first-hand basis what the problems are. Yet he stressed that Canada has "no real role" to play in solving the vexing problems bedeviling the Middle East. The parties in the area, he said, will have to solve the Arab-Israeli dispute.

MacEachen will be in Israel on Jan. 19 and 20. On Monday, the first day, he will have a working session with Allon, pay a visit to the Hebrew University and Mount Herzl, call on Jerusalem Mayor Teddy Kollek and Israeli President Ephraim Katzir and attend a dinner hosted by Allon.

On Tuesday, he will fly from Ben Gurion Airport to Rosh Pina, a development town in the upper Galilee, and then return to Jerusalem, where he will visit the holy places in the old city in a private capacity. Canada does not recognize Israeli sovereignty in east Jerusalem. In the evening, MacEachen will host a buffet reception at the Plaza Hotel.

Commenting on MacEachen's trip to Israel, Aaron Pollack, chairman of the Canada-Israel Committee, said he hoped the minister would learn that the "basic issue" in the Middle East today is Israel's right to exist rather than the Palestinian Arab question. The Palestinians, he noted, are "the consequences, not the causes, of the conflict."

If MacEachen does not understand that point now, he should by the end of his trip, said Pollack. "And if he doesn't understand, that will mark a serious erosion in Canada's position," he explained. Pollack disclosed he and other members of the CIC hope to see MacEachen upon his return from the Middle East. But he emphasized that at the present moment "no meeting is contemplated."

Myer Bick, executive director of the CIC, observed that MacEachen's visit to Israel "will magnify his understanding" of the Jewish state. Speaking from Montreal, Bick expressed the view that it would not produce a change in Canadian policy vis-a-vis the Middle East. "That's categorical," he said.

Neo-Nazi cells form in Africa

Johannesburg [JCNS] — South Africa's Jewish community has been shocked by press disclosures that neo-Nazi cells have been formed in the country, especially in Pretoria and southwest Africa.

The groups, reported to be anti-Semitic, anti-Black and anti-liberal, have been encouraged by visits to South Africa by Dr. Manfred Roeder, the leader of the West German extreme right-wing organization Deutsche Buergerinitiative (West German Movement for Citizens' Initiative). Branches of the movement have been established here following his lectures in the country. During his last visit in October, he claimed that it was "a blatant lie" that Hitler murdered six million Jews. In southwest Africa, Dr. Roeder was warned by the police not to deliver any more anti-Semitic speeches.

The Deutsche Buergerinitiative has opened a bank account in South Africa and mail for Dr. Roeder may be sent through a Johannesburg book club which provides right-wing and neo-Nazi literature.

Protest PLO at Habitat

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(In accordance with a UN contract it signed last month, Canada has agreed that delegations to Habitat, including the PLO, "shall be regarded as experts on missions for the UN," and will be granted immunity from any legal process resulting from "words spoken and written, and acts done by them in the course of the performance of their mission.")

Although still personally in favor of cancelling the UN conference in light of PLO presence, Rabbi Hier said he chose not to press the issue at the CIC meeting. He agreed with the CIC viewpoint that in terms of Canadian Jewish interests, Habitat was not a top-ranking item, although this country's immigration laws vis-a-vis PLO entry is a prime area of contention.

When asked whether the CIC had compromised itself on the Habitat controversy, he responded: "I am not the person to comment. I won't question their motivation," adding he understood the sensitive nature of the Committee's relationship with government.

Had his community felt slighted by the national leadership? The Vancouver Jews' antipathy toward Habitat had been "underrated," he commented. "We were misunderstood. They didn't realize what the issue meant to us." It is only since its last national meeting that the CIC has paid attention to the Vancouver community's position, he noted.

The Jewish community across Canada, said Hier, should have publicly sided with Vancouver mayor Art Phillips's call for a hard-line stance on Habitat in the face of the UN's condemnation of Israel. (The Vancouver city council voted 9-1 to ask the federal government to cancel the conference because of PLO attendance, but overruled its stand on the advice of Danson).

Presented with the certainty of PLO spokesmen in his city, Hier has urged national adult and youth groups to hold conventions in Vancouver during the course of Habitat. He anticipates a "controlled" protest that could number over 10,000 participants.

Already the National Conference of Synagogue Youth has responded by staging its regional convention in Vancouver during May, and Hier is optimistic that others will follow suit.

Montreal hosts WIZO

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'Unique situation exists for inter-faith rapport'

By JANICE ARNOLD

MONTREAL — Dr. Gerhart M. Riegner, general secretary of the World Jewish Congress and one of the key figures responsible for the Vatican Guidelines last year, told members of the National Religious Affairs Committee of Canadian Jewish Congress that a unique situation exists today, unlike at any time in history, for the establishment of a new rapport with Christians.

This is because the church, like all spiritual forces, is in "deep trouble" in the face of growing social problems which it can no longer provide all the answers for, Riegner said.

The growth of agnosticism and secularism, the spread of communism, the stagnation of the church in the Third World in the past 30 years and the much more successful evangelical movement of Islam, have caused the church, for the first time, to see itself as the minority it has always has been in the world.

The Vatican Second Council, which resulted in the drafting of the Guidelines on Relations with Jews, was a direct consequence of this fear, Riegner commented.

Christians have been drawn closer to Jewish thinking in two ways, the secretary-general outlined. "The Church is going back to examine its origins, its sources. Christians now realize their common heritage with the Bible, with the Old Testament and, hence to Judaism...

"Secondly, the Church realizes that to be meaningful it cannot ignore the social tensions in the world today...it must seach for answers which brings it much closer to Jewish concern which has always been the here and now and not the next world."

Riegner does not see relations with Christians as theological or religious, but rather political. The relationship should involve the "knowing and respecting of each others differences but despite them both could work together to improve conditions in the world."

The Vatican Guidelines "clearly are political. For nine or 10 years of talks, there was nothing. The Roman Catholic Church has come out suddenly in favor of the Jews, and Israel," he said.

"Two key phrases (in the Guidelines) support this assumption — one, that Christians must understand Jews as Jews understand themselves... two, that Christians must recognize the autonomous history of Judaism, that we have our own raison d'etre."

The real importance of the dialogue with the Vatican, Riegner contended, is that for the first time "we met on equal footing. This in itself is revolutionary."

Although "fantastic development" has been witnessed in the last five years, the greatest task to face yet is long-term planning as it will take several generations for a real change of attitude, he noted.

There are five major problems to overcome in the future, Riegner believes. They are: the change of generations (almost 80% of those participating in Jewish-Christian dialogue did not live through the Holocaust; the exploitation of conferences by Middle East churches to promote Palestinian causes;) the influence of the Orthodox Churches whose delegates are largely chosen as representatives of Soviet government propaganda and, "more importantly, who are conservative if not reactionary" in their attitude; communication with Christian youth who have in recent times generally taken the side of the Third World against the Jews and the establishment of better relations with the Third World.

"It may take two or three generations for change but the last five or 10 years have given us enough encouragement to consider it a worthwhile endeavor," Riegner concluded.

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Arts

Heritage Museum reminds us of rich cultural traditions

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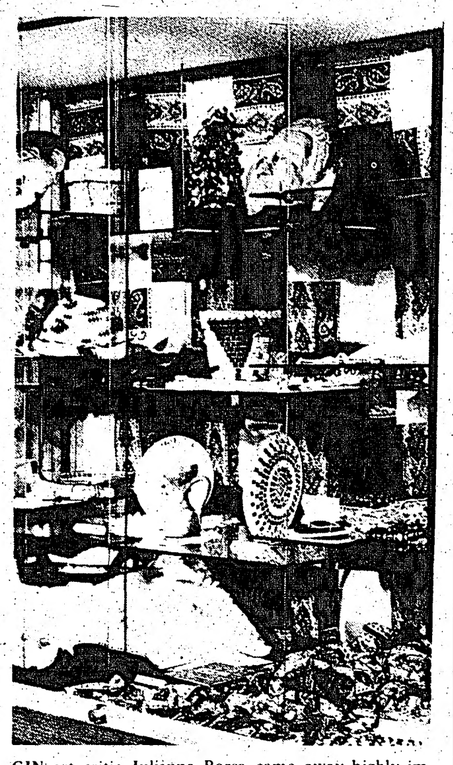
By JULIANNA BORSA

Today's consumer society, based as it is on automation and mechanical reproduction, places a high value on hand-made articles. They represent to us the kind of luxury money cannot buy — an investment of time and care. The "Exhibition of Handicrafts of Today and Yesteryear" in the Heritage Museum at the Baycrest Centre for Geriatric Care show us the results of time and patience invested in the production of artifacts from today and from the past.



CJN art critic Julianna Borsa came away highly impressed with handicrafts exhibition at Baycrest Centre.

In the first half of the exhibit, two glass cases display the crafts made by the residents and patients of the Baycrest Arts and Crafts program: colorful quilts, crocheted handbags, hooked rugs, mosaic plates and ceramic articles, many still bearing the awards they earned at last summer's CNE. Their very imperfections emphasize their hand-made quality.

Heirlooms from earlier generations form the second part. On loan for the exhibition, partly in response to an earlier notice in this paper, are articles painstakingly made by ones unknown to us, yet familiar in the sense that they recall similar experiences from our own lives. Knitted baby outfits and hand-painted 19th century China dolls conjure up treasured images of childhood; beaded evening bags and a velvet jacket bring back memories of social events from our personal pasts.

One of the more interesting aspects of the Baycrest is its growing collection of permanent acquisitions bought for or donated to the museum, or on extended loan. There are intriguing glimpses of Jewish ceremonial life revealed in a pair of sterling silver Russian Torah crowns, 19th century etrog boxes from Austria, Czechoslovakia, spice boxes from Israel and the Ukraine, including an ivory and silver one on loan from the Royal Ontario Museum.

These, in addition to the international array of menorahs from Italy, Romania, Hungary, Israel, Russia, Poland and Morocco show us once again how infinitely varied, yet how united is the world of the Jews. The exhibit is highlighted by an embossed 18th century silver tray from Poland representing a scene of the Exodus from Egypt. The Heritage Museum at the Baycrest is a miniature reminder of our rich cultural traditions.

Autobiography enhances image

books

By BERNARD BASKIN

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By common consent she is among the most redoubtable and remarkable of modern women. Golda Meir's long-awaited autobiography adds lustre to her image. It is a simply written account of a life of public responsibility, spurred from beginning to end by the vision of Zion restored.

Writing candidly, dramatically, authoritatively, she recalls those events that gave shape and meaning to her years. There are few revelations. She does not reveal what we are anxious to learn about some Israeli scandals, or axial cabinet decisions, or certain aspects of the Yom Kippur War. It is not that kind of book. What we do learn is of her early determination to go to Palestine, the conflict with her bewildered parents, the failure of her marriage and how difficult it is to reconcile private and public obligations.

By dint of her unremitting work, indomitable spirit, and vibrant personality, Golda rose in the ranks of the Labor Zionist Party. When the time came she was the ideal choice for Minister of Labor, Foreign Minister and then during parlous days, Prime Minister of her country.

On May 14th, 1948, when the state of Israel came into being, Golda was almost unbelieving: "The state of Israel! My eyes filled with tears and my hands shook. We had done it. We had brought the Jewish state into existence — and I, Golda Mabovitch Meyerson, had lived to see the day... The long exile was over. From this day on, we would no longer live on sufferance in the land of our forefathers. Now we were a nation like other nations, masters — for the first time in 20 centuries — of our own destiny. The dream had come true — too late to save those who had perished in the Holocaust, but not too late for the generations to come."

She recalls that unforgettable first Sabbath as ambassador to the Soviet Union when as many as 50,000 Jews besieged the "Great Synagogue" in Moscow, eager to catch a glimpse of her. The Russian authorities were alarmed; Golda was astonished. After more than three decades of Communist indoctrination the flame of Jewish national sentiment had not been extinguished. It is no wonder that back at their hotel Golda and the members of her staff sobbed unrestrainedly.

Memorable is her reply to the Pope who accused the Israelis of harsh treatment to the Arabs. "Well, that is the kind of talk that I can't bear... Your Holiness, do you know what my own very earliest memory is? It is waiting for a pogrom in Kiev. Let me assure you that my people know all about real 'harshness' and also that we learned all about real mercy when we were being led to the gas chambers of the Nazis."

Whether she is discussing her Zionist ideology, the period of the British mandate, the problem of the Arab refugees, or her futile efforts through the years to establish peace with Arab leaders, she is clear and outspoken.

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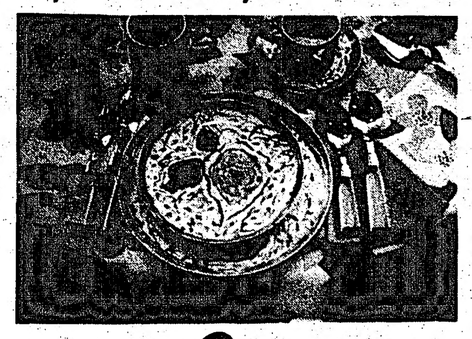

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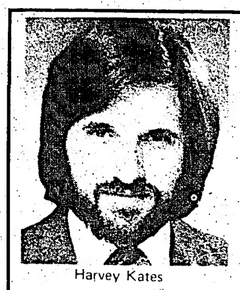

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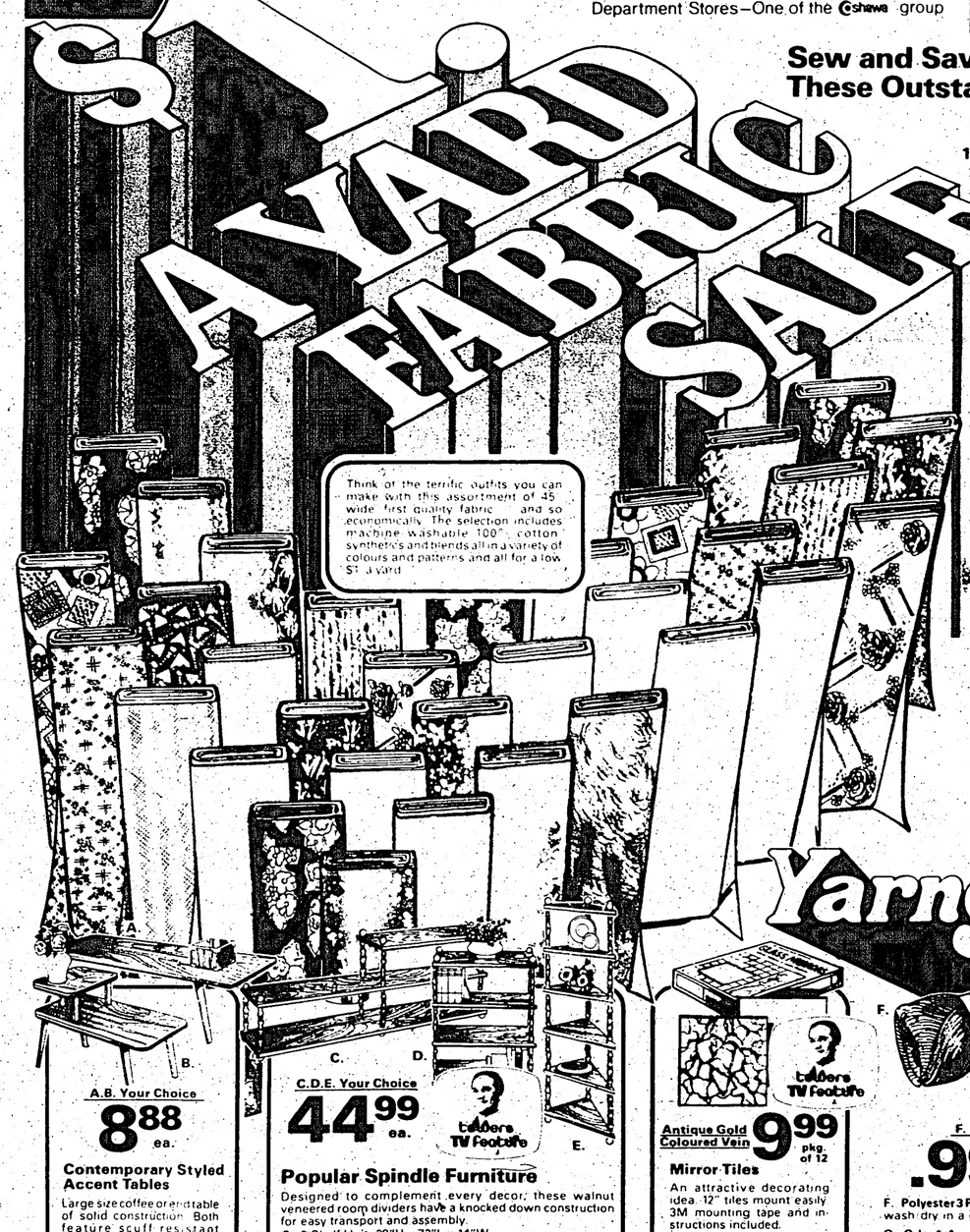

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